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Chapter 159
Resignation

# LIAR GAME ライアーゲーム

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I will save you, I promise. No matter what.

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THE PROCEEDING OF THE CHANGE SESSION

ROUND 1

1. CHANGING CARDS PERIOD (10 MIN)
2. THE CATALOGUE IS PUBLISHED CONSIDERATION TIME (30 MIN)
3. BIDDING PERIOD FOR LOT A (5 MIN)
4. BIDS EXAMINATION; WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT
5. BIDDING PERIOD FOR LOT B (5 MIN)
6. BIDS EXAMINATION; WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT

ROUND 2

1. CHANGING CARDS PERIOD (10 MIN)
2. THE CATALOGUE IS PUBLISHED CONSIDERATION TIME (30 MIN)
3. BIDDING PERIOD FOR LOT A (5 MIN)

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...EVEN YOU.
I WILL WIN THIS GAME. AND SO WILL KANZAKI. AND...
AKIYAMA HAS A PLAN?!

AKIYAMA -SAN!
FOR REAL?!
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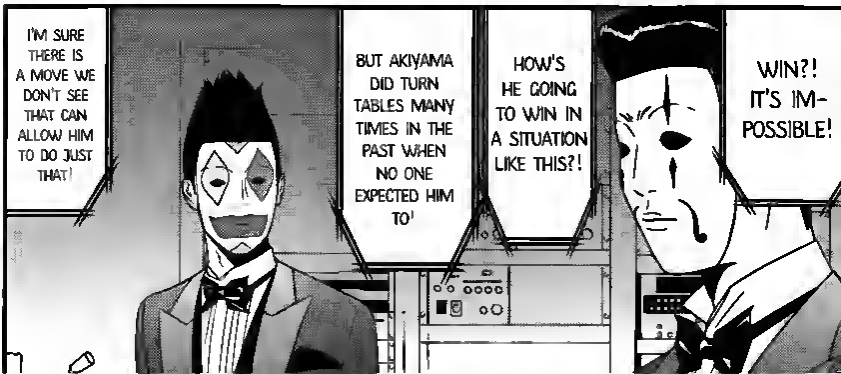
I'M SURE THERE IS A MOVE WE DON'T SEE THAT CAN ALLOW HIM TO DO JUST THAT!
BUT AKIYAMA DID TURN TABLES MANY TIMES IN THE PAST WHEN NO ONE EXPECTED HIM TO!
HOW'S HE GOING TO WIN IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS?!
WIN?! IT'S IM-POSSIBLE!

!?
HE'S SIMPLY BLUFFING.
NO, THERE ISN'T SUCH A MOVE.
IT'S NOTHING MORE THAN WORDS
SO HE'S JUST SAYING THINGS THAT SOUND PLAUSIBLE AS A COVER-UP.
HE'S IN A POSITION WHERE HE CAN QUIT ANY TIME WITHOUT LOSING HIS WINNINGS,
HOLD IT.
SO? HOW'RE YOU GONNA DO TH--
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WHO'S THERE? COME OUT!

ABE-SAN.
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ABE-SAN.
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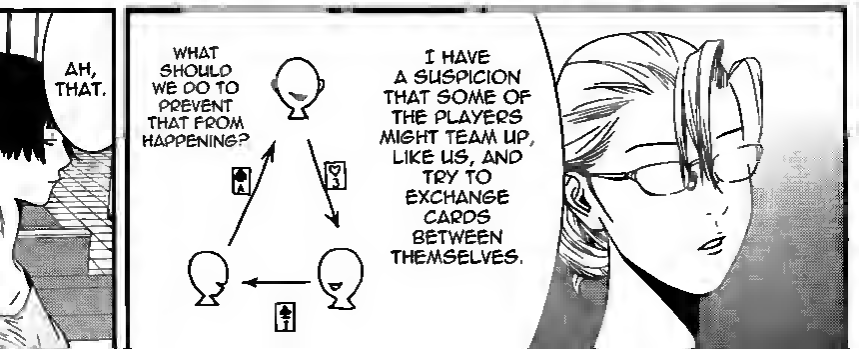
WHAT IS THE MATTER?
...
SO? WHAT IS AKIYAMA'S NEXT MOVE?
OH, YOU'RE BACK.
HE DISCOVERED ME BEFORE I COULD HEAR HIS PLAN...
I... DON'T KNOW...

YOU DAMN GOOD-FOR-NOTHING !!!
YOU CAN'T EVEN EAVES-DROP PROPERLY !!!
EASY, EASY.

SORRY...
THERE'S NO REASON TO GET ANGRY.
THE ODDS ARE OVER-WHELMINGLY IN OUR FAVOR

1000 YEAR OLD ONE
GOOD, THEN.
I'M SURE THERE WASN'T ANYONE ELSE.
YES.
WERE KANZAKI AND KAWAI THE ONLY ONES AKIYAMA TALKED TO?


AH, THAT.
WHAT SHOULD WE DO TO PREVENT THAT FROM HAPPENING?
I HAVE A SUSPICION THAT SOME OF THE PLAYERS MIGHT TEAM UP, LIKE US, AND TRY TO EXCHANGE CARDS BETWEEN THEMSELVES.

NO NEED TO WORRY ABOUT ANY OF THEM JOINING FORCES.
NOTHING LIKE THAT WILL HAPPEN.
!?
YOUR TIME IS UP.
THE CHANGING CARDS PERIOD IS OVER.
NOW, LET US REVEAL THE LOTS OF OUR CATALOGUE.
ATTENTION TO THE FRONT MONITOR PLEASE.

Change session
Round 2
Lot Catalogue
Lot A
Lot B
HARIMOTO DISCARDED HIS ♣K, AND MIKAMOTO HER ♠3...
AS I THOUGHT
JUST LIKE AKIYAMA PREDICTED...
WOW!!!

OF COURSE.
WE ARE THE ONLY ONES WHO DISCARDED ANY CARDS.
IT IS JUST LIKE YOU SAID, 1000 YEAR OLD ONE

FUFUFU. EVERYTHING IS GOING SMOOTHLY. GREAT!

EVEN 1 COIN CAN BECOME THE DECISIVE FACTOR IN DETERMINING YOUR FATE IN TODAY'S GAME. FUFUFU.
PLEASE CAREFULLY THINK THROUGH HOW MUCH AND ON WHICH LOT YOU ARE GOING TO BID

WELL THEN, BIDDING WILL START WITH LOT A AFTER YOUR 30 MINUTES CONSIDERATION TIME IS OVER.

...
...

BIDDING FOR LOT A IS OVER.
THE TIME IS UP!
!!
Change session round 2
Lot A
Bidders
ATTENTION TO THE FRONT MONITOR PLEASE.
NOW, ALLOW ME TO ANNOUNCE THE BIDDERS.

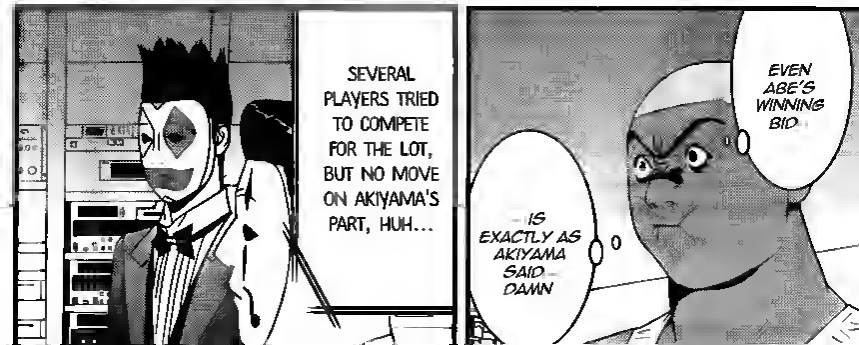
Changa session: Round 2

## Lot A ♠ Bidders:

| | |
|---|---|
| Yasukawa Yasuhiko | 3 gold coins |
| Shimoharada Osamu | 21 gold coins |
| Taninaka Kouichi | 40 gold coins |
| Abe Yukiyo | 299 gold coins |

Winner:

# Abe Yukiyo


SEVERAL PLAYERS TRIED TO COMPETE FOR THE LOT, BUT NO MOVE ON AKIYAMA'S PART, HUH...
EVEN ABE'S WINNING BID
IS EXACTLY AS AKIYAMA SAID— DAMN

Change session: Round 2
Lot B: bidding OPEN
Time left
4 minutes 59 seconds
STARING NOW!
WE ARE MOVING ON TO LOT B, THEN! YOUR BIDS ARE BEING ACCEPTED
THERE ARE TWO POSSIBILITIES I CAN THINK OF
WHAT IS AKIYAMA'S GROUP GOING TO DO NOW?

THEY'LL TRY TO OUTBID US BY BIDDING 533 COINS ON ♠3.
FIRST ONE.
THE 10,000 YEAR OLD ONE CAN COMPLETE HIS STRAIGHT FLUSH ANYWAY EVEN WITHOUT THAT ♠3, JUST BY GETTING ♠6 AND ♠8 FROM YOU AND ABE
♠4
♠5
♠6
♠7
♠8
ALL THE BETTER FOR US IF THEY DO TRY IT.
YES
IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE 10,000 YEAR OLD ONE FROM COMPLETING A STRAIGHT FLUSH?
I HAVE TO WONDER, THOUGH, IF AKIYAMA REALLY WILL MAKE A MOVE THAT SLOPPY
WITH THAT, OUR VICTORY WILL BE GUARANTEED, WILL IT NOT?
ANO AKIYAMA WON'T BE ABLE TO STOP HIM, SINCE BY THE TIME HE WILL HAVE ALREADY USED 533 OF HIS COINS
WHICH LEAVES US WITH THE OTHER POSSIBILITY
NO, HE PROBABLY WILL NOT.

HE WILL DO NOTHING.
YOU MEAN HE'S CONTENT WITH THE SECOND PLACE AND WON'T TRY TO PREVENT ME FROM COMPLETING MY STRAIGHT FLUSH?
WELL, YES. CONSIDERING THAT HE ALREADY HAS 54G COINS, I'M SURE HE THINKS THAT PLACING SECOND IS GOOD ENOUGH FOR HIM.
NO
I DOUBT THAT.
!!
HIS NOT TAKING ACTION WILL BE THE SAME AS HIM ABANDONING KAWAI WHO RELIES ON HIM.
I DO NOT THINK HE WILL DO THAT... AT THE VERY LEAST KANZAKI WILL NOT DO THAT.
FU FU.

ONCE THE RESULTS ARE REVEALED,
YOU WILL SEE FOR YOURSELF.
THE TIME IS UP.
BIDDING FOR LOT B IS CLOSED.
Change session: Round 2
Lot B: bidding CLOSED
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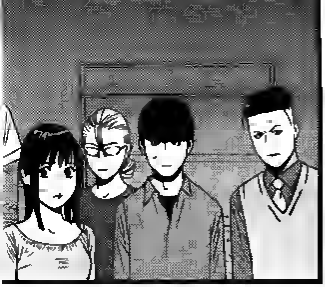
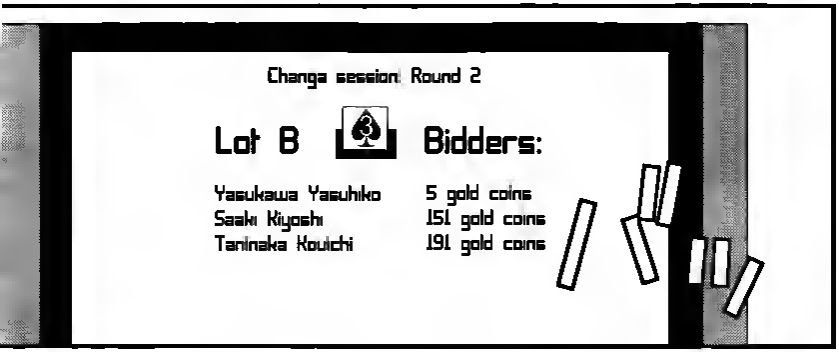
NOW, ONTO THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE BIDDERS AND THE WINNER.
PLEASE TAKE A LOOK AT THE FRONT MONITOR.



Change session: Round 2
Lot B
Bidders:
Yasukawa Yasuhiko 5 gold coins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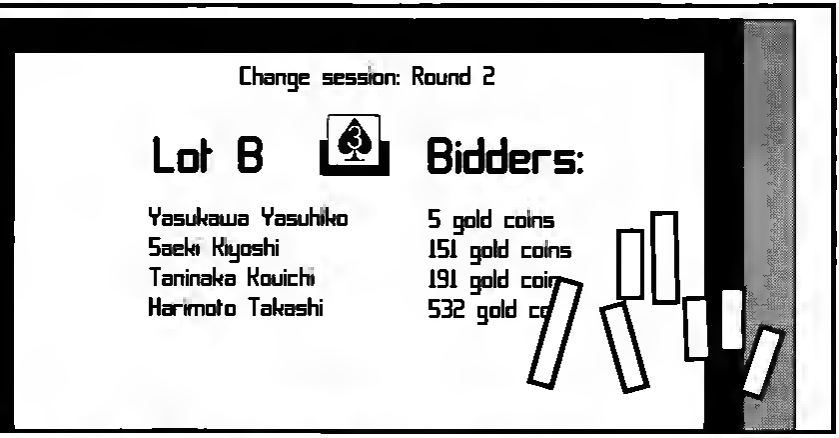
Lot B
Bidders:
Yasukawa Yasuhiko 5 gold coins
Saeki Kiyoshi 151 gold coins
Taninaka Kouichi 191 gold coins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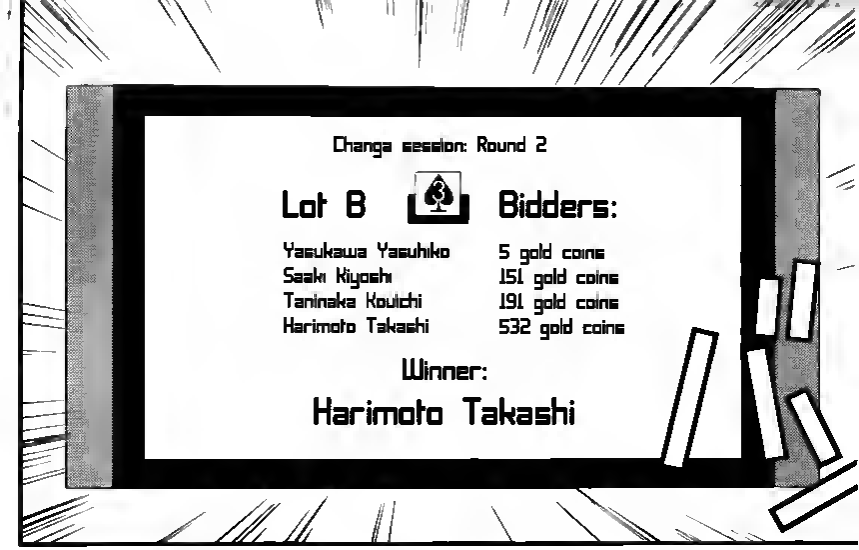
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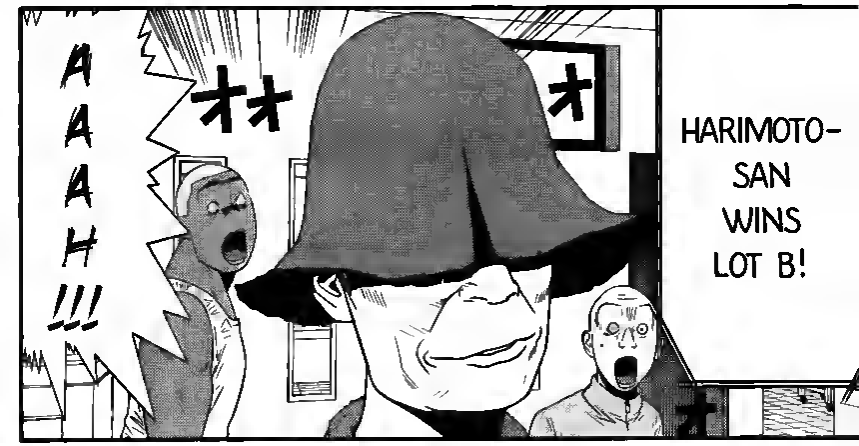
Winner:
Harimoto Takashi


AAAH!!!
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HARIMOTO-SAN WINS LOT B!

NOW STOP DELUDING YOURSELF WITH PRETTY NONSENSE.
THAT'S JUST HOW PEOPLE ARE, IN THE END.
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FUFU I TOLD YOU THAT MUCH, DIDN'T I?
DIDN'T EVEN ATTEMPT TO BID ON IT...?
AKI-YAMA...
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AKIYAMA!!! THIS'S NOT WHAT WE'VE TALKED ABOUT, AIN'T IT?!!
I THOUGHT IT WAS FISHY THAT WHEN I ASKED YOU HOW YOU'RE GONNA HELP ME, YOU JUST DODGED THE QUESTION SAYING IT'D BE BAD IF SOMEONE WERE TO EAVES-DROP ON US AND FIND OUT YOUR PLAN!!!
YOU PROMISED TO SAVE ME!!! BUT IN THE END YOU JUST LEFT EVERYTHING AS IT IS, YOU BASTARD!!!
KAWAI-SAN!
I'M FED UP WITH THIS! I'M THROUGH WITH YOU TWO GITS!!!
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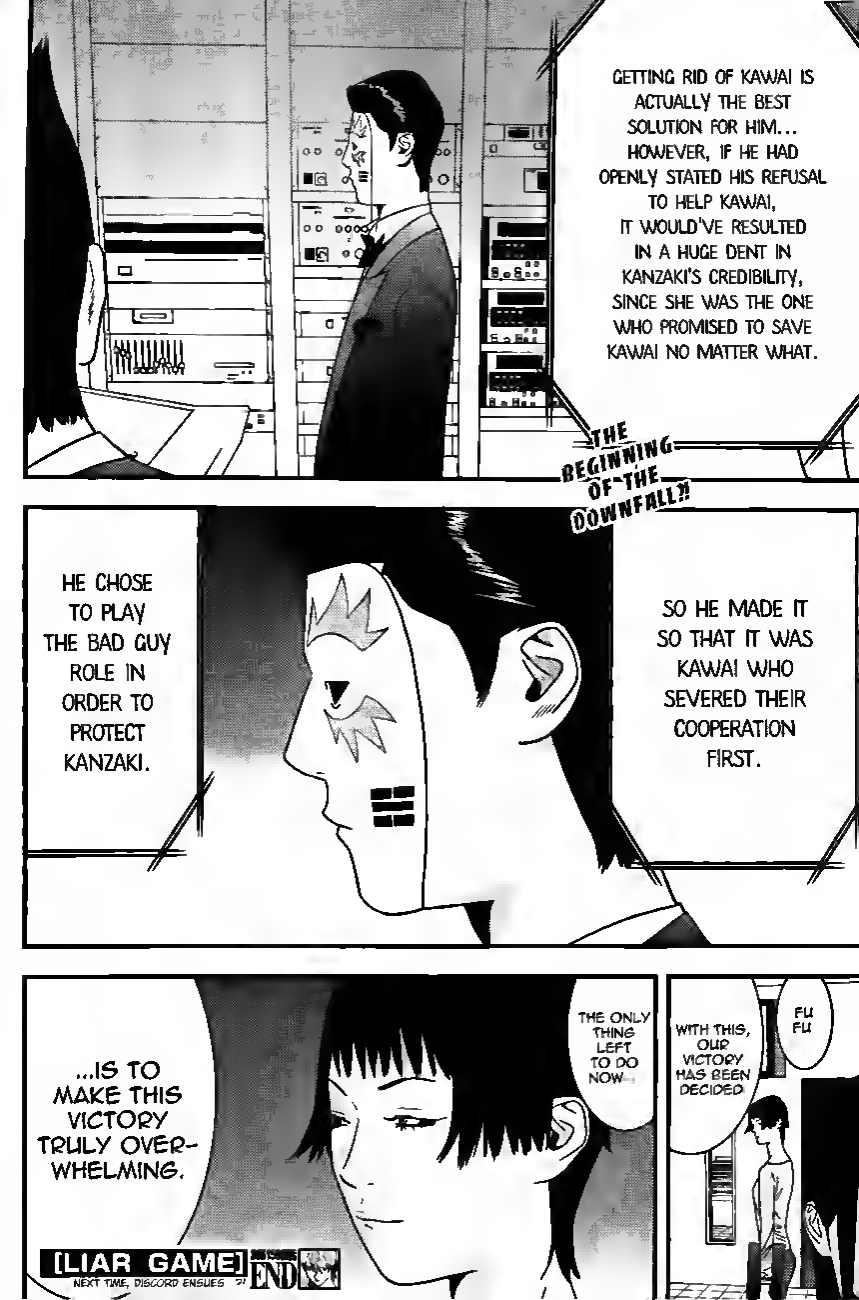
IN THE END, YOU GOT NO DAMN PLAN!!! YOU JUST DUPED ME!!!
I BELIEVE THIS RESULT IS PRECISELY WHAT HE STRIVED TO ACCOMPLISH.
....MADE NO MOVE IN THE END.... NONE AT ALL.
AKI-YAMA...


GETTING RID OF KAWAI IS ACTUALLY THE BEST SOLUTION FOR HIM... HOWEVER, IF HE HAD OPENLY STATED HIS REFUSAL TO HELP KAWAI, IT WOULD'VE RESULTED IN A HUGE DENT IN KANZAKI'S CREDIBILITY, SINCE SHE WAS THE ONE WHO PROMISED TO SAVE KAWAI NO MATTER WHAT.
THE BEGINNING OF THE DOWNFALL?!
HE CHOSE TO PLAY THE BAD GUY ROLE IN ORDER TO PROTECT KANZAKI.
SO HE MADE IT SO THAT IT WAS KAWAI WHO SEVERED THEIR COOPERATION FIRST.
...IS TO MAKE THIS VICTORY TRULY OVER-WHELMING.
THE ONLY THING LEFT TO DO NOW...
WITH THIS, OUR VICTORY HAS BEEN DECIDED.
FU FU
[LIAR GAME] THE 13TH END
NEXT TIME, DISCORD ENSUES

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IN THAT ROUND, HARIMOTO-SAN SUCESSFULLY OBTAINED ♠3

Change session: Round 2

Lot B ♠ Bidders:

| | |
|---|---|
| Yasukawa Yasuhiko | 5 gold coins |
| Saeki Kiyoshi | 151 gold coins |
| Taninaka Kouichi | 191 gold coins |
| Harimoto Takashi | 538 gold coins |

Winner

Harimoto Takashi

THE SITUATION IN THE BID POKER GAME WE HAD BEEN PLAYING CHANGED DRASTICALLY DURING THE 2ND ROUND OF THE CHANGE SESSION

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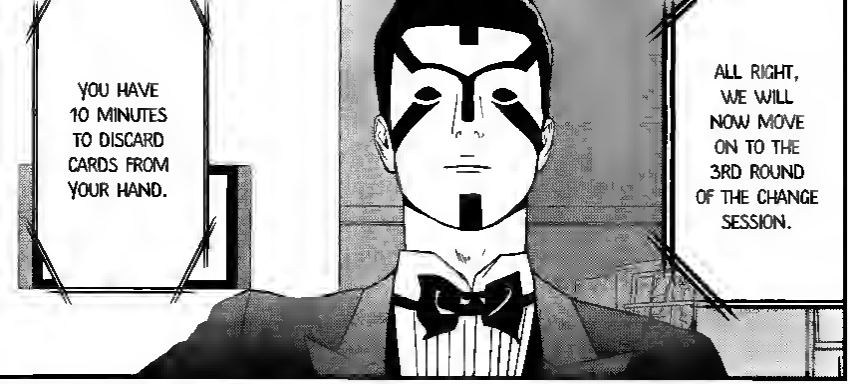
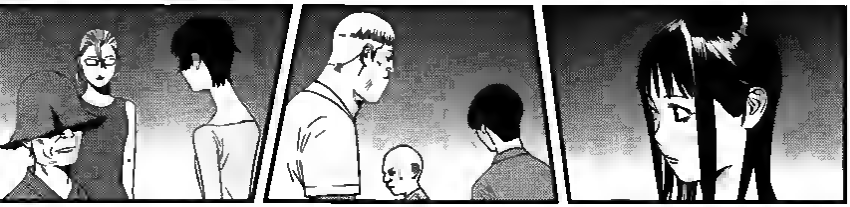
|---|---|---|
| 1st place | Harimoto Takashi (straight flush, money: 0 coins) | |
| 2nd place | Akyama Shin'ichi (Flush, money: 596 coins) | |
| 3rd place | Abe Yukyo (one pair, money: 0 coins) | |
| No place | Mikamoto Mika (money: 553 coins) | |
| No place | Kimura Kei (money: 204 coins) | |
| No place | Taninake Kouchi (money: 230 coins) | |
| No place | Shimoharada Osamu (money: 151 coins) | |
| No place | Saeki Kiyoshi (money: 190 coins) | |
| No place | Yasukawa Yasuhiko (money: 67 coins) | |
| No place | Kanzaki Nao (money: 312 coins) | |
| No place | Kawai Tetsuya (money: 300 coins) | |

WITH IT ADDED TO HIS HAND, HE COMPLETED A STRAIGHT FLUSH AND PLACED FIRST IN THE RANKING

THE OVERWHELMING VICTORY OF HARIMOTO'S GROUP IS DECIDED!!

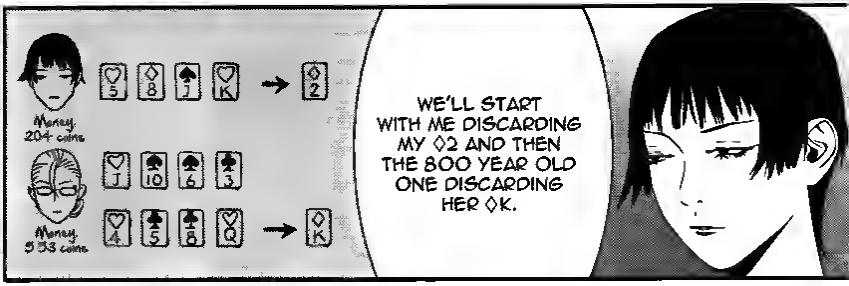

YOU HAVE 10 MINUTES TO DISCARD CARDS FROM YOUR HAND.
ALL RIGHT, WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO THE 3RD ROUND OF THE CHANGE SESSION.

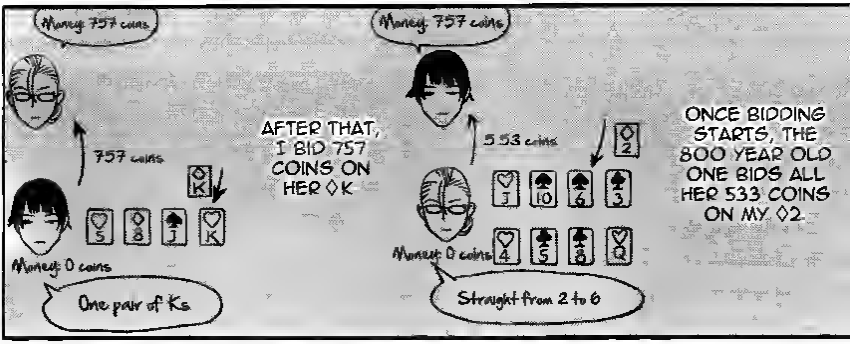
YOU MAY START NOW.
IF YOU HAVE CARDS YOU WISH TO DISCARD, PLEASE DO SO BY USING YOUR TABLET AND COMPLETING THE APPROPRIATE PROCEDURE.



THANKS TO THAT, OBTAINING FIRST PLACE TURNED OUT TO BE A LOT EASIER THAN I THOUGHT.
FU FU FU.
AKIYAMA REALLY MADE NO MOVE.
IT WENT ACCORDING TO WHAT YOU SAID 1,000 YEAR OLD ONE
Change session: Round 3
Changing cards IN PROCESS
Time left
9 minutes 29 seconds

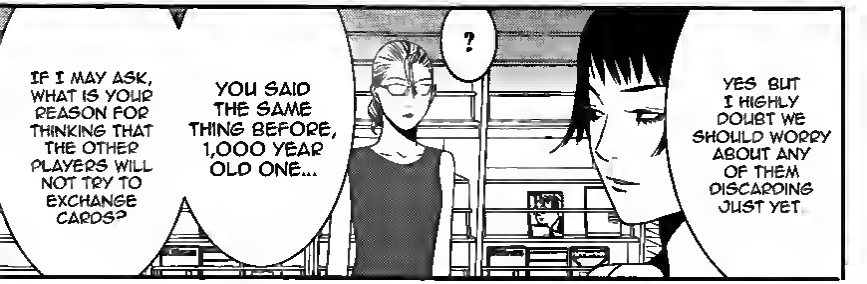
WHAT SHOULD WE DO, EXACTLY?
OUR VICTORY HAS BEEN DECIDED, AND NOW WE WILL DO EVERYTHING IN OUR POWER TO MAKE IT OVERWHELMING.
SO? WHAT'S NEXT?


Money: 204 coins
Money: 533 coins
WE'LL START WITH ME DISCARDING MY ◇2 AND THEN THE 800 YEAR OLD ONE DISCARDING HER ◇K.


Money: 757 coins
757 coins
Money: 0 coins
One pair of Ks
AFTER THAT, I BID 757 COINS ON HER ◇K
Money: 757 coins
533 coins
Money: 0 coins
Straight from 2 to 6
ONCE BIDDING STARTS, THE 800 YEAR OLD ONE BIDS ALL HER 533 COINS ON MY ◇2.

SINCE OUR BIDS WILL BE EXTREMELY HIGH, WE WON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT OUR CARDS GETTING SEIZED BY THE OTHER PLAYERS.
THIS MOVE WILL LET THE 800 YEAR OLD ONE COMPLETE A STRAIGHT, AND I'LL GET ONE PAIR; THUS, ALL 4 OF US WILL HAVE VALID HANDS THAT CAN BE RANKED.

I SEE. IN OTHER WORDS, WE'RE GOING TO ENSURE THERE'S A LARGE NUMBER OF PLAYERS WHO DON'T QUALIFY TO GET RANKED, SO THAT MY FIRST PLACE REWARD INCREASES, THE MORE THE BETTER.
WE WILL PERVENT THAT BY SNATCHING THE CARDS THEY DISCARD.
AND IF, BY ANY CHANCE, THE OTHER PLAYERS TRY TO EXCHANGE CARDS AMONG THEMSELVES TO BUILD A BETTER HAND,


IF I MAY ASK, WHAT IS YOUR REASON FOR THINKING THAT THE OTHER PLAYERS WILL NOT TRY TO EXCHANGE CARDS?
YOU SAID THE SAME THING BEFORE, 1,000 YEAR OLD ONE...
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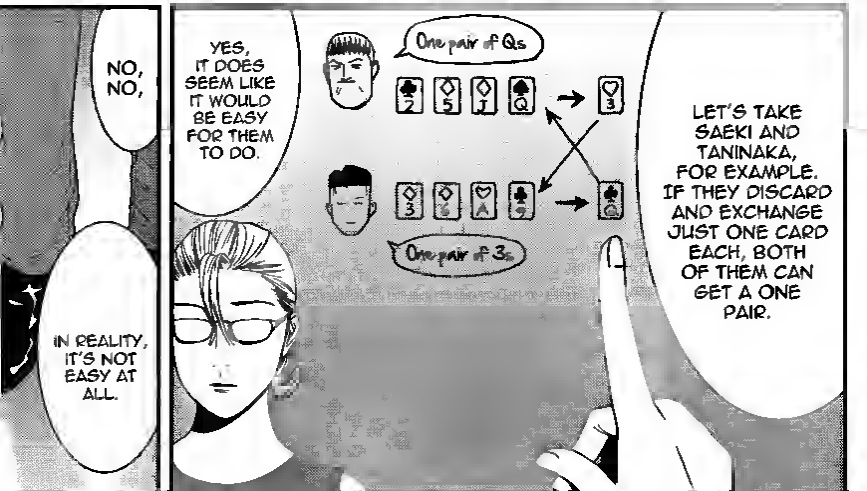
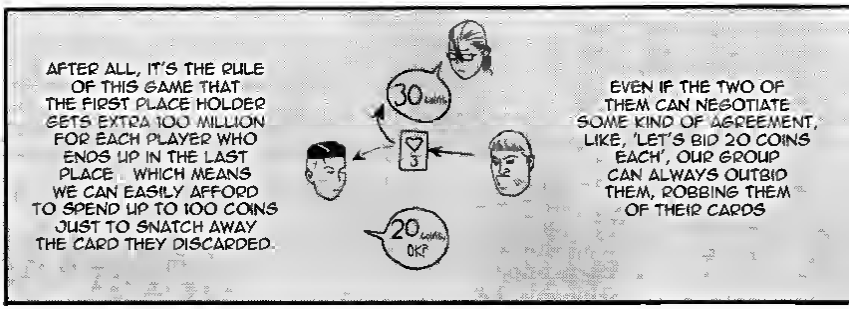
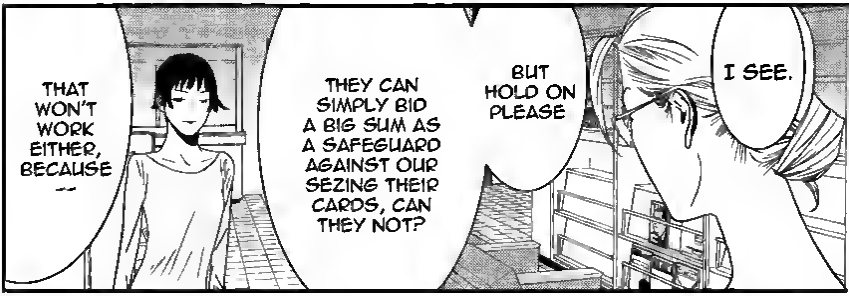
YES. BUT I HIGHLY DOUBT WE SHOULD WORRY ABOUT ANY OF THEM DISCARDING JUST YET.

MY REASON IS OBVIOUS.
FU FU.


NO, NO,
IN REALITY, IT'S NOT EASY AT ALL.
YES, IT DOES SEEM LIKE IT WOULD BE EASY FOR THEM TO DO.
One pair of Qs
One pair of 3s
LET'S TAKE SAEKI AND TANINAKA, FOR EXAMPLE. IF THEY DISCARD AND EXCHANGE JUST ONE CARD EACH, BOTH OF THEM CAN GET A ONE PAIR.

BECAUSE IF THEY CARELESSLY DISCARD THEIR CARDS,
THEY RUN A HIGH RISK OF GETTING THEM SNATCHED AWAY.


AFTER ALL, IT'S THE RULE OF THIS GAME THAT THE FIRST PLACE HOLDER GETS EXTRA 100 MILLION FOR EACH PLAYER WHO ENDS UP IN THE LAST PLACE. WHICH MEANS WE CAN EASILY AFFORD TO SPEND UP TO 100 COINS JUST TO SNATCH AWAY THE CARD THEY DISCARDED.
30 coins
3
20 coins OK?
EVEN IF THE TWO OF THEM CAN NEGOTIATE SOME KIND OF AGREEMENT, LIKE, 'LET'S BID 20 COINS EACH', OUR GROUP CAN ALWAYS OUTBID THEM, ROBBING THEM OF THEIR CARDS


I SEE.
BUT HOLD ON PLEASE
THEY CAN SIMPLY BID A BIG SUM AS A SAFEGUARD AGAINST OUR SEZING THEIR CARDS, CAN THEY NOT?
THAT WON'T WORK EITHER, BECAUSE --

CLACK CLACK
HNP

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WHO'S THERE?!
KAWAI?!
HI THERE
I WILL DO ANYTHING FOR YOU, SO PLEASE!!!
PLEASE SAVE ME!!!
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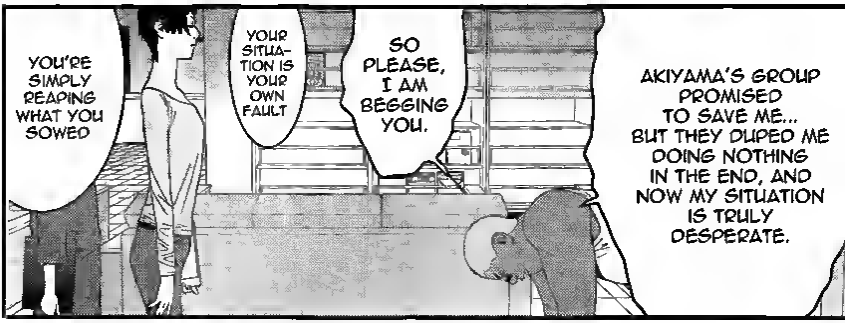
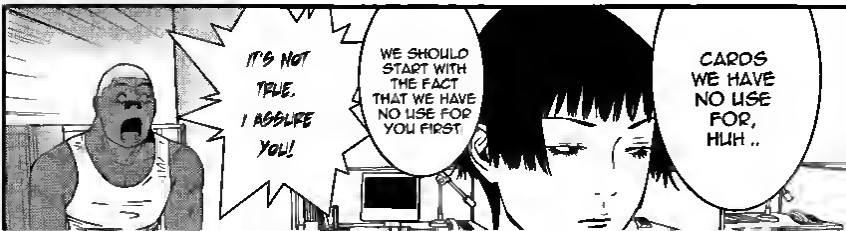
WHAT DO YOU WANT?!
WHAT I WANT...
WELL, IT'S ...

SO... I AM BEGGING YOU...
I WILL BE OF HELP TO YOU, I SWEAR!
HAH...?

I WILL PAY ALL MY 300 COINS FOR THEM!!!
PLEASE GIVE ME ANY 5 CARDS YOU HAVE NO USE FOR!!!


YOU'RE SIMPLY REAPING WHAT YOU SOWED
YOUR SITUATION IS YOUR OWN FAULT
SO PLEASE, I AM BEGGING YOU.
AKIYAMA'S GROUP PROMISED TO SAVE ME... BUT THEY DUPED ME DOING NOTHING IN THE END, AND NOW MY SITUATION IS TRULY DESPERATE.


IT'S NOT TRUE. I ASSURE YOU!
WE SHOULD START WITH THE FACT THAT WE HAVE NO USE FOR YOU FIRST
CARDS WE HAVE NO USE FOR, HUH ..

I HAVE SOME JUICY INFO FOR YOU, YOU KNOW.
DON'T YOU WANT TO HEAR IT?
JUICY INFO?
WHAT KIND?
HE HE ...
TANI-NAKA AND SAEKI
ARE TRYING TO CONSPIRE WITH EACH OTHER.
!!
...
OH, REALLY
LET'S HEAR A BIT MORE OF THIS, THEN.

Change session: Round 3
Changing cards
IN PROCESS
Time left
6 minutes 48 seconds
THERE'S SOMEONE OVER THERE!
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ABE-SAN?!
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OR... WERE YOU TOLD TO SPY ON US ...?
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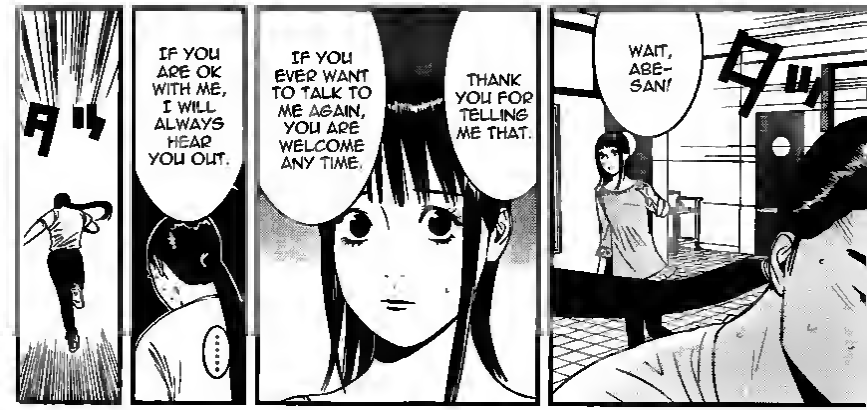
WAIT!
DO YOU HAVE SOME BUSINESS WITH ME?

BY KIMURA-SAN, I ASSUME...?
!?
NO, YOU'RE WRONG !!!
I WAS RIGHT THAT THE ONE WHO REALLY CONTROLS YOUR GROUP IS NOT HARI-MOTO-SAN BUT KIMURA-SAN.
THAT EXPRESSION ON YOUR FACE I WAS RIGHT
I LOVE AND ADMIRE THE 10,000 YEAR OLD ONE FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART, BUT FOR THE 1,000 YEAR OLD ONE, I DON'T EVEN HAVE ANY RESPECT FOR HER!
THE 1,000 YEAR OLD ONE MAY INDEED BE DEVICING PLANS FOR THE GAME, BUT SHE'S NOT THE LEADER OF OUR GROUP!

SO I OBEY HER SIMPLY BECAUSE I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT.
IT'S JUST THAT I'M ONLY 500 YEARS OLD, AND I CAN'T DEFY A PERSON WHO IS 1,000 YEARS OLD...


IF YOU ARE OK WITH ME, I WILL ALWAYS HEAR YOU OUT.
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IF YOU EVER WANT TO TALK TO ME AGAIN, YOU ARE WELCOME ANY TIME.
THANK YOU FOR TELLING ME THAT.
WAIT, ABE-SAN!

Charge session: Round 3

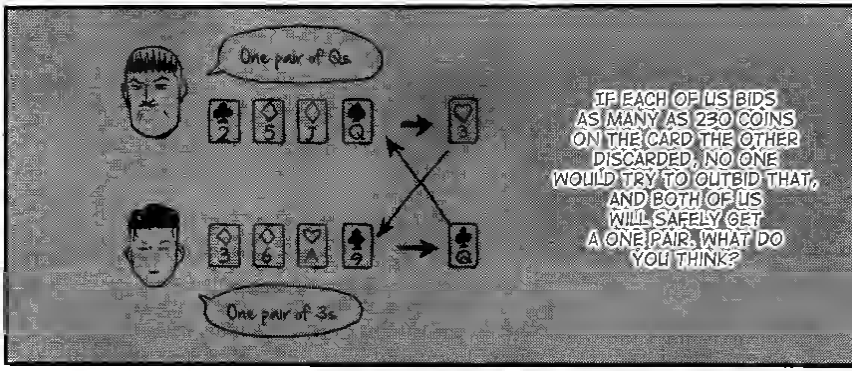
Changing cards
IN PROCESS

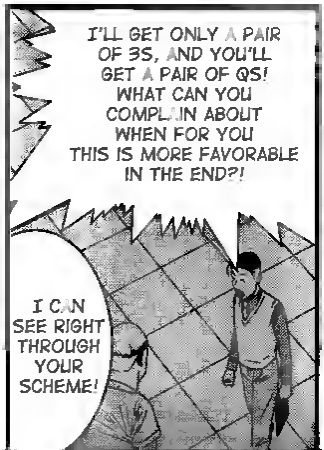
Time left

5 minutes 04 seconds

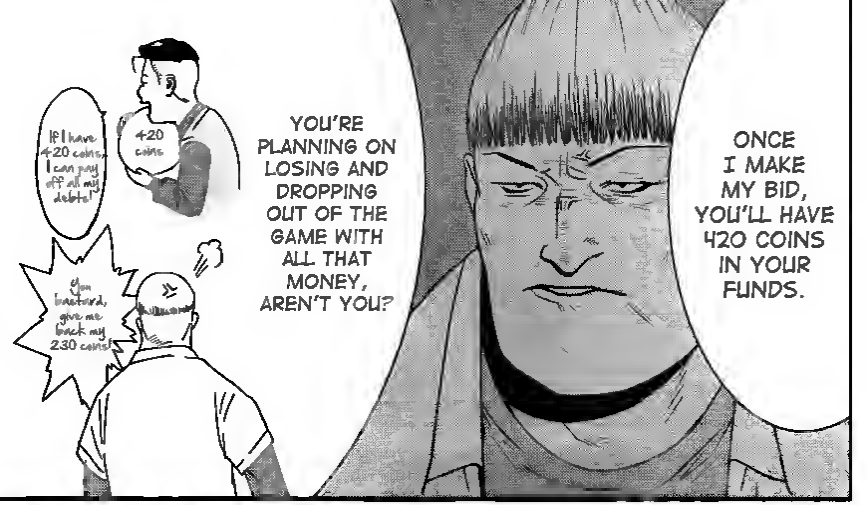
THEY'RE TRYING TO EXCHANGE THEIR 3 AND Q, IT SEEMS. IF YOU LOOK AT THEIR HANDS CLOSELY, YOU'LL SEE THAT IF THEY'RE SUCCESSFUL, THEY'LL BOTH HAVE A ONE PAIR.
HE HE.
WHAT KIND OF CONSPIRACY THEY'RE TRYING TO PULL OFF?
AND?
THEY PRACTICALLY WERE ON A VERGE OF A BIG FALLING OUT.
THEY'VE BEEN HAVING ONE HELL OF HARD TIME TRYING TO NEGOTIATE.
WELL, THAT'.
HAVE THEY COME TO ANY SORT OF AGREE-MENT?
IT'S OLD NEWS AS I NOTICED THAT MUCH LONG TIME AGO. SO?
EXACTLY!
YES!
THEY'VE BEEN PROBABLY ARGUING OVER WHO DISCARDS FIRST, RIGHT?
WHY?
?
I THOUGHT SO
IF THEY BID TOO LITTLE, SOMEONE ELSE MIGHT WIN THE CARD . THE IDEAL SOLUTION SEEMS TO BE TO BID EVERY COIN THEY HAVE .
WELL, THE VERY FIRST PROBLEM THAT RAISES WHEN IT COMES TO CARD EXHANGE IS HOW MANY COINS THEY SHOULD BID.
BUT WHY WOULD THEY ARGUE?

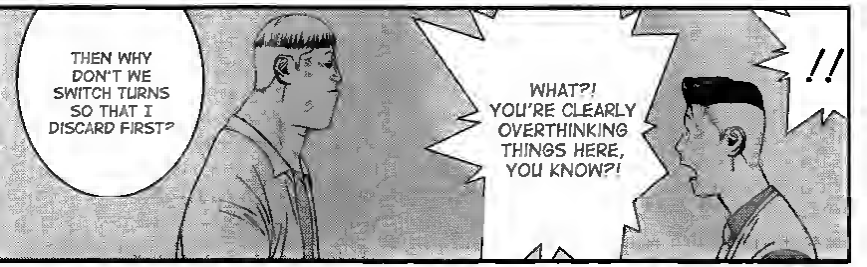
FIRST, YOU BID 230 COINS ON MY ♣Q, AND AFTER THAT I BID THE SAME 230 COINS ON YOUR ♡3.
AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT SAEKI SUGGESTED.


One pair of Qs
One pair of 3s
IF EACH OF US BIDS AS MANY AS 230 COINS ON THE CARD THE OTHER DISCARDED, NO ONE WOULD TRY TO OUTBID THAT, AND BOTH OF US WILL SAFELY GET A ONE PAIR. WHAT DO YOU THINK?


I'LL GET ONLY A PAIR OF 3S, AND YOU'LL GET A PAIR OF QS! WHAT CAN YOU COMPLAIN ABOUT WHEN FOR YOU THIS IS MORE FAVORABLE IN THE END?!
I CAN SEE RIGHT THROUGH YOUR SCHEME!

NO, I WON'T DO IT LIKE THAT!
HUH?!


If I have 420 coins, I can pay off all my debts!
420 coins
You bastard, give me back my 230 coins!
YOU'RE PLANNING ON LOSING AND DROPPING OUT OF THE GAME WITH ALL THAT MONEY, AREN'T YOU?
ONCE I MAKE MY BID, YOU'LL HAVE 420 COINS IN YOUR FUNDS.


THEN WHY DON'T WE SWITCH TURNS SO THAT I DISCARD FIRST?
WHAT?! YOU'RE CLEARLY OVERTHINKING THINGS HERE, YOU KNOW?!
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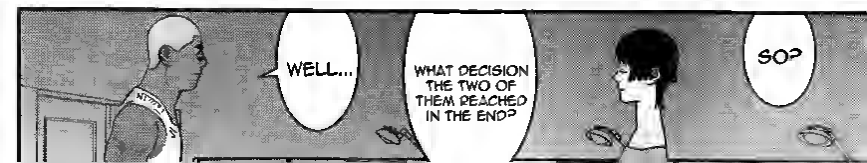
NOW I GET IT! IT'S YOU WHO PLANS ON LOSING AND DROPPING OUT OF THE GAME WITH 420 COINS!!!
I'D NEVER DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT, YOU MORON! DON'T LUMP ME TOGETHER WITH THE LIKES OF YOU!
!
YOU'LL BID 190 COINS ON MY ♠Q, AND THEN I'LL BID 190 COINS ON YOUR ♢3.

LIKE I SAID, EXCHANGING CARDS IS NO EASY TASK AT ALL.
SEE?
OH, I HAD NO IDEA...
THAT'S WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON WITH THEM

BUT THE OTHER PLAYERS HAVE NOTHING OF THE SORT.
WE CAN FREELY EXCHANGE CARDS WITH EACH OTHER BY BIDDING BIG BECAUSE OF THE STRONG BONDS WE ALL SHARE.

WITH RELATION-SHIPS THAT STRAINED, USING BIG SUMS WHEN BIDDING IS OUT OF QUESTION FOR THEM.
WHAT THEY DO HAVE IS SUSPICIONS AND DISTRUST TOWARDS EACH OTHER AS THEY ONLY CARE TO SAVE THEIR OWN HIDE.


WELL...
WHAT DECISION THE TWO OF THEM REACHED IN THE END?
SO?

THEY DECIDED THEY WOULD EACH BID 71 COINS ON THE CARD THE OTHER DISCARDED.
THEY REACHED A COMPROMISE JUST A LITTLE WHILE AGO.
AT THE VERY LEAST, IN THEIR OPINION, THE SUM SHOULD BE MORE THAN 60 COINS FOR 1 CARD TO DETER SOMEONE LIKE ME WHO HAS NO CARDS AT ALL FROM TRYING TO GET THE CARDS THEY'RE GONNA DISCARD.
THEY APPARENTLY THINK THAT 71 COINS ISN'T A BIG ENOUGH SUM TO BE TEMPTED TO MAKE AWAY WITH IT, AND, ON THE OTHER HAND, IT'S NOT SMALL ENOUGH FOR SOMEBODY TO OUTBID THEM EASILY.
10,000 YEAR OLD ONE
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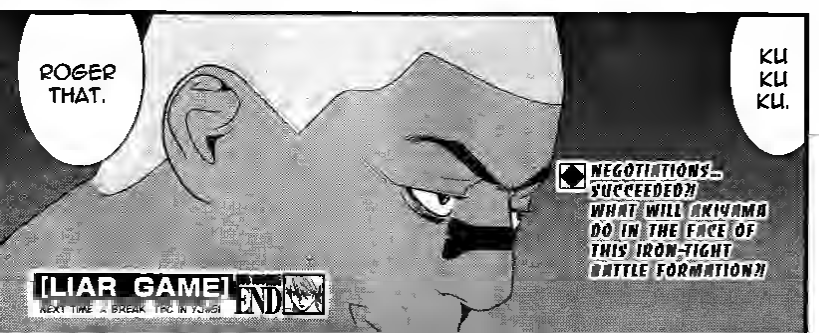
WE'LL TEACH THEM A LESSON BY SNATCHING THEIR CARDS FROM RIGHT UNDER THEIR NOSES.
UNFORTUNATELY FOR THEM, SUCH A COIN COUNT IS WELL WITHIN OUR MARGIN.
THOSE TWO REALLY ARE IDIOTS... TO NAIVELY THINK THAT THEY CAN PULL IT OFF SAFELY WITH A BID OF ONLY 71 COINS...
KU KU KU.
THEY ALSO BELIEVE THAT 71 COINS IS JUST THAT TINIEST BIT MORE THAN YOUR GROUP WOULD BE WILLING TO SPEND ON A SINGLE CARD.

KAWAI!
GO FIND OUT WHAT THE OTHER PLAYERS ARE UP TO AS WELL.
EH?

IF THINGS DO GO AS YOU SAID IN THIS ROUND...
...WE'LL SELL 5 OF OUR CARDS TO YOU AS A REWARD FOR YOUR INFORMATION.


KU KU KU.
ROGER THAT.
NEGOTIATIONS... SUCCEEDED?! WHAT WILL AKIYAMA DO IN THE FACE OF THIS IRON-TIGHT BATTLE FORMATION?!
[LIAR GAME] END
NEXT TIME "A BREAK" TPC IN TOKYO

Chapter 161
Underground

# LIAR GAME
ライアーゲーム

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Genuine bonds lie with those whose heart does not give up.

前巻のあらすじ

ハリモトグループ参謀キムラの作戦により反撃の手を封じられたアキヤマたち。裏切られたと判断したカワイはハリモトの下へ赴く。カワイのもたらした情報によりさらなる追撃を繰こうとするキムラたったか…!

"THE TRAITOR KAWAI LEAKS INFORMATION ON BIOS"!
WHAT A FOOL GETTING ENTRUSTED WITH SPYING IS ENOUGH FOR HIM TO BE RARING TO GO
FUFU JUST LOOK AT HIM.
IS THAT HIS SITUATION REALLY IS DESPERATE
WHAT I FIND CHARMING ABOUT THIS WHOLE DEAL.
I SIMPLY SEE NO HARM IN LISTENING TO THE INFORMATION HE CAN OFFER TO US. THERE'S NO RISK IN IT FOR US ANYWAY.
WHO SAYS WE'RE GOING TO TRUST HIM.
IS IT REALLY OK FOR US TO TRUST HIM?
...WE CAN EASILY MAKE HIM INTO ANOTHER VICTIM.
SO IF WE STRIKE HERE... FUFUFU...

I WAS SPYING ON THEM RIGHT UP TILL THE MOMENT THEY DISCARDED, SO IT'S 100% TRUE!
YASUKAWA AND SHIMOHARADA HAVE COME TO AN AGREEMENT.
Shimoha-rada
Yasukawa
INDEED, IF THEY EXCHANGE THOSE CARDS, BOTH OF THEM WILL GET A ONE PAIR
THAT'S WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT!
REALLY
.....
SHIMOHADARA DISCARDED HIS ♣10, AND YASUKAWA HIS ♣7.
WE WILL REVEAL THE CHANGE CATALOGUE FOR THIS ROUND NOW.
THE TIME IS UP.

PLEASE PAY ATTENTION TO THE FRONT MONITOR.
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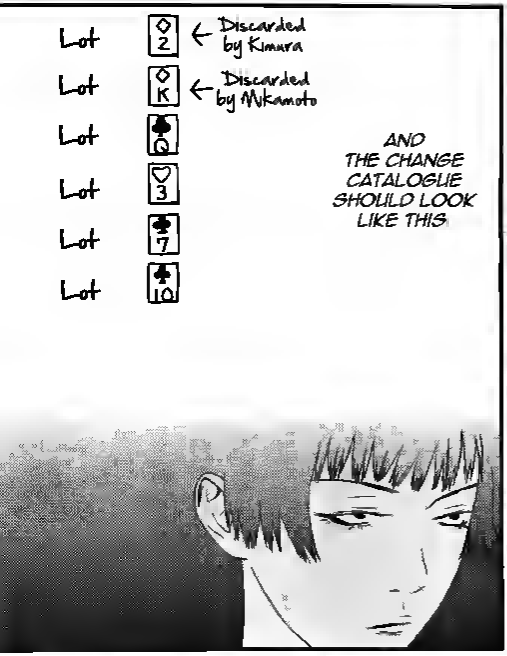
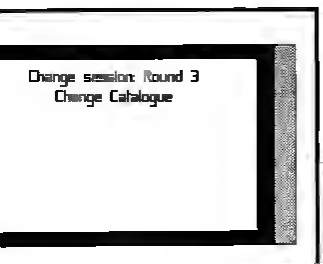

Lot ♢2 ← Discarded by Kimura
Lot ♢K ← Discarded by Mukamoto
Lot ♠Q
Lot ♡3
Lot ♣7
Lot ♠10
AND THE CHANGE CATALOGUE SHOULD LOOK LIKE THIS

IF WHAT KAWAI SAID IS TRUE, THEN SAEKI DISCARDED ♣Q, TANINAKA ♡3, YASUKAWA ♣7 AND SHIMOHARADA ♣10.
ADD TO THAT THE CARDS ME AND THE 800 YEAR OLD ONE DISCARDED FOR EACH OTHER,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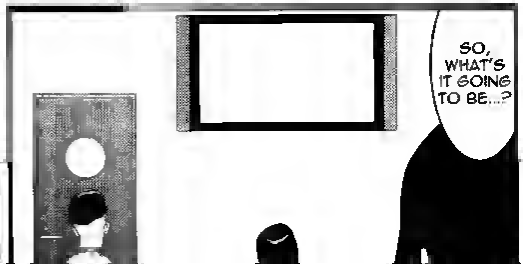
Change Catalogue


SO, WHAT'S IT GOING TO BE...?

Change session: Round 3

## Change Catalogue

Lot A ♦2　　Lot B ♦6

Lot C ♣2　　Lot D ♣7

Lot E ♣10　　Lot F ♥3

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SEE?!

IT'S LIKE I SAID!

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ALL THE LOTS OF THIS CATALOGUE

ARE EXACTLY AS KAWAI SAID!

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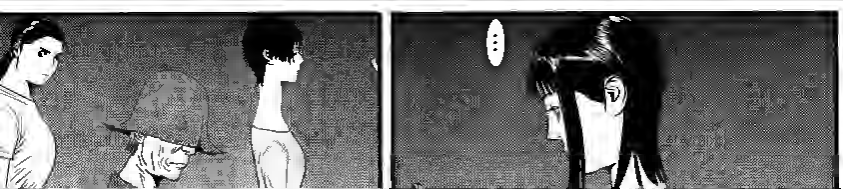
THE IMPORTANT PART COMES AFTER THIS... NAMELY, IT'S ALL ABOUT HOW MANY COINS THEY ARE GOING TO BID.
IT'S NOTHING YET. NEARLY EVERYONE COULD HAVE PREDICTED THIS RESULT.

I'LL PROVIDE YOU WITH THE ACCURATE DATA ON THAT ONE
JUST SIT BACK AND LEAVE IT TO ME

PLEASE CAREFULLY CONSIDER YOUR CHOICES
BIDDING WILL START RIGHT AFTER THE 30 MINUTES OF YOUR CONSIDERATION TIME END, AND PROCEED IN THE ALPHABETICAL ORDER.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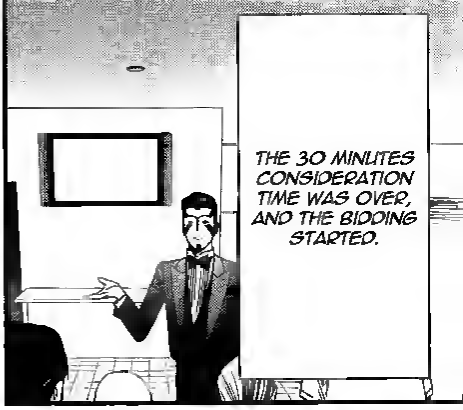
SUCCESSFUL EXCHANGE MEANT THEM BOTH QUALIFYING TO GET RANKED.
LOTS A AND B WERE THE CARDS KIMURA-SAN AND MIKAMOTO-SAN DISCARDED WITH THE INTENTION TO EXCHANGE BETWEEN THEMSELVES.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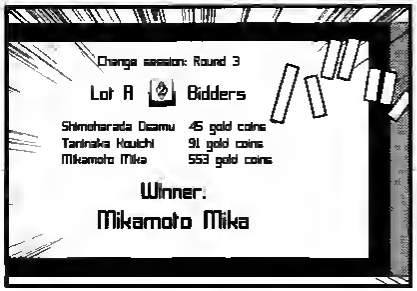
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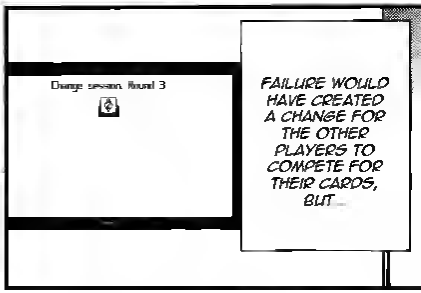
Lot A
Bidders
Shimoharada Osamu 45 gold coins
Tanimaka Kouichi 91 gold coins
Mikamoto Mika 553 gold coins
Winner:
Mikamoto Mika


Change session: Round 3
FAILURE WOULD HAVE CREATED A CHANGE FOR THE OTHER PLAYERS TO COMPETE FOR THEIR CARDS, BUT...

AAA AAH!
THE WINNER IS MIKAMOTO-SAN!

Charge session: Round 3

Lot B Bidders:

Shimoharada Osamu 19 gold coins
Kimura Kei 757 gold coins

Winner:

Kimura Kei

THE SAME HAPPENED WITH LOT B...

THE WINNER IS KIMURA-SAN!

...WHICH MEANT KIMURA-SAN IMPROVED HER HAND TO A ONE PAIR

WITH THAT...

Harimoto Takaski
Straight flush
(presently 1st place)

Nikamoto Aika
Straight
(from 2 to 6)

Abe Yukiyo
One pair of Ks

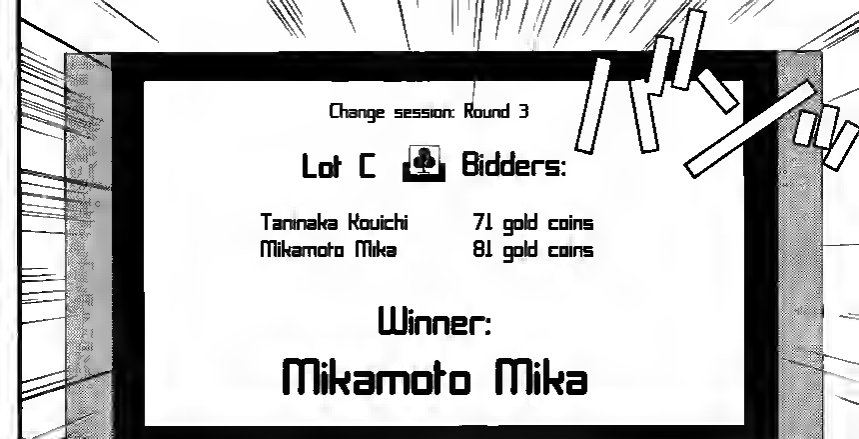
Kimura Kei
One pair of Ks

...ALL 4 MEMBERS OF HARIMOTO GROUP GOT PROPERLY RANKED.

WE ARE CONTINUING THE BIDDING WITH LOT C! YOUR BIDS ARE BEING ACCEPTED FOR THE NEXT 5 MINUTES!

HEEEY
IT'S YOU, KAWA!
WHAT IS IT?
I BROUGHT YOU FURTHER INFO.
ABOUT HOW MUCH TANINAKA'S GONNA BID ON LOT C.
THEY'RE GONNA GO WITH 71 COINS, JUST LIKE THEY'VE STIPULATED EARLIER.
THERE'S NO MISTAKE, CAUSE I SAW HIM INPUT THAT AMOUNT.
I SEE GOOD JOB
KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK
WE'RE GOING TO OUTBID THEM NOW.
HOW MANY COINS SHOULD I BID?

WE'RE NOT GOING TO JUST TAKE HIS WORD FOR IT, SO...
IF KAWAI'S INFORMATION IS RELIABLE, 72 COINS SHOULD BE ENOUGH, BUT...
81 COINS.
WE'LL GO WITH
ATTENTION TO THE FRONT MONITOR, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.
I WILL ANNOUNCE THE BIDDERS AND THE WINNER FOR LOT C NOW.
THE BIDDING IS CLOSED!
Deep sea: Round 3
Lot C Bidders


Change session: Round 3
Lot C ♣ Bidders:
Tanaka Kouichi 71 gold coins
Mikamoto Mika 81 gold coins
Winner:
Mikamoto Mika

WHAAAAT?!
THE WINNER IS MIKAMOTO-SAN!!!

YOU COULDA WON THAT LOT WITH JUST 72 COINS, WHY SPLURGE AND WASTE 81?
SEE? MY INFO WAS SPOT ON!
.....
...SNAT-CHED AWAY...
LOT C WAS...

STOP ASKING QUESTIONS AND GO FIND OUT THE SUM OF THE NEXT BID.
'KAAAY.
SO? DID YOU FIND OUT?
KAWAI'S BACK.
!!
Change season: Round 3
Lot D: bidding
OPEN
1 minute 54 seconds
WHAT'S OUR BID?
.....
77 COINS.
YEAH. I KNOW HOW MANY COINS SHIMOHARADA'S GONNA BID ON LOT D.

NO... MAKE IT 85.
WE'LL GO WITH 87 COINS ...
THE BIDDING IS OVER!
Change session: Round 3
Lot D
BIDDING CLOSED
ATTENTION TO THE FRONT MONITOR!
NOW, ALLOW ME TO ANNOUNCE THE BIDDERS AND THE WINNER FOR LOT D.
Change session: Round 3
Lot D Bidders:

Change session: Round 3

Lot 0 Bidders:

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| Shimoharada Osamu | 77 gold coins |
| Mikamoto Mika | 85 gold coins |

Winner:
Mikamoto Mika

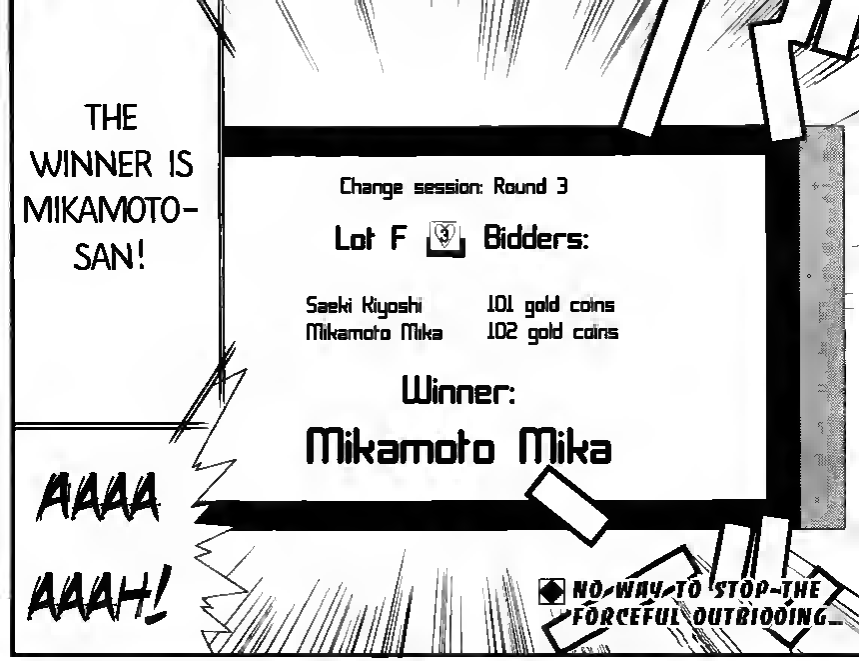
THAT MAN MIGHT ACTUALLY BE USEFUL TO US.
UNEXPECTEDLY,
I WAS WARY OF HIM CONSPIRING WITH THE OTHER PLAYERS IN AN ATTEMPT TO TRY AND SCREW US OVER, BUT LOOKS LIKE I WAS WORRIED FOR NOTHING.
GREAT... KAWAI'S WORDS GOT CONFIRMED ONCE AGAIN.

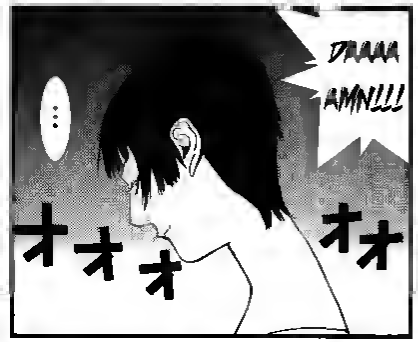
HEY!!! THE CARD GOT SEIZED!!!
IT WAS YOU WHO SAID 77 COINS WOULD BE ENOUGH, YOU BASTARD!!!
BUT YOU WERE THE ONE WHO AGREED THAT WE COULD PULL IT OFF WITH 77 COINS!!!
PLEASE STOP! YOU SHOULD NOT ARGUE!
KEEP ARGU-ING,
YOU BUNCH OF FOOLS.
HA HA
JUST LOOK AT THEM GOING FOR EACH OTHER'S THROATS
WELL THEN, WE ARE MOVING ON TO THE BIDDING PERIOD FOR OUR NEXT LOT, LOT E!
YOUR TIME STARTS NOW!

BUT THEY'RE STILL UNWILLING TO CROSS THE 90 COINS THRESHOLD.
PANIC'S SPREADING AMONG THEM CAUSE OF YOU OUTBIDDING THEM TWICE.
Dange session: Round 3
Lot E: bidding OPEN
1 minute 34 seconds
I GUARANTEE THAT.
THAT IS, YASUKAWA'S GONNA BID 86 COINS ON THE NEXT LOT.
BID 89 COINS.
THIS TIME
.....
WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
Dange session: Round 3
Lot E Bidders:
LET'S SEE WHO BID ON LOT E AND WHO WON IT!
WELL THEN!

Change session: Round 3
Lot E Bidders:
Yasukawa Yasuhiko 86 gold coins
Mikamoto Mika 89 gold coins
Winner:
Mikamoto Mika
GWAAAA!!!
AND THE WINNER IS MIKAMOTO-SAN!

...HAD BEEN SEIZED BY MIKAMOTO-SAN...
IN THAT ROUND THE LOTS... QUITE LITERALLY ALL THE LOTS
I'M SCREWED... WHAT CAN I DO NOW...
I COULDN'T GET THAT CARD!!! WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW?!
NOOO OO!!!
-INCLU-DING
KU KU KU
Change session: Round 3
Lot F Bidders:
...THE LAST LOT, LOT F.



[LIAR GAME] NOTHING CAN BE TONE ANYMORE... CRY! END

AS A RESULT
THROUGHOUT THAT ROUND HARIMOTO'S GROUP KEPT INTERFERING AND SNATCHING THE OTHER PLAYERS' CARDS
ROUND 3 OF THE CHANGE SESSION WAS OVER
WE ARE MOVING ON TO ROUND 4 OF THE CHANGE SESSION YOU MAY START DISCARDING!

Kimura presses on with her plan;

Chapter 162 Shutout

# LIAR GAME ライアーゲーム

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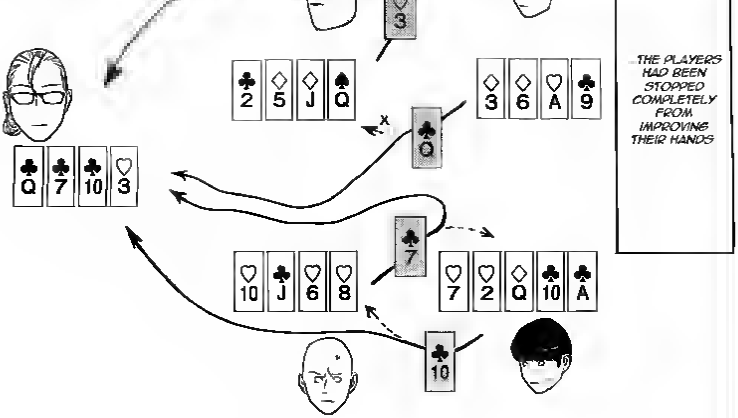
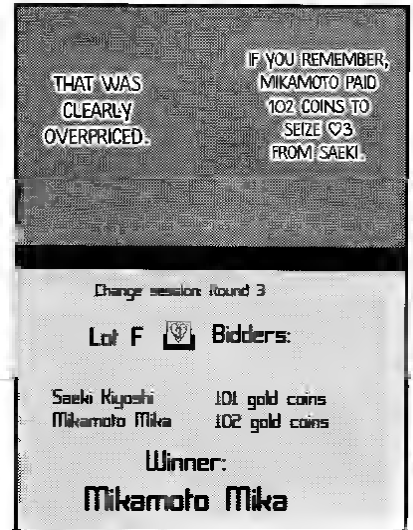
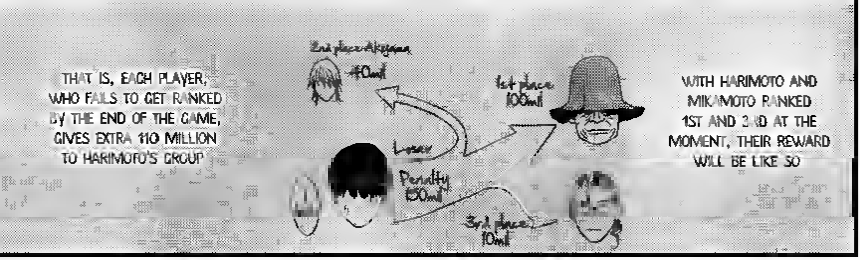


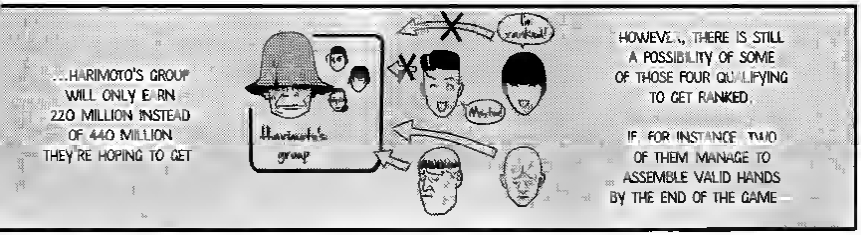
I TOLD YOU ALREADY THAT WAS JUST A TRICK TO MAKE KAWAI BREAK UP THEIR COOPERA-TION.
FOR ALL HIS BIG TALK ABOUT WINNING, AKIYAMA DID ABSOLUTELY NOTHING EVER SINCE KAWAI LEFT HIM.
HARIMOTO'S GROUP TOTALLY DOES AS THEY PLEASE NOW!
MHA HAHA!

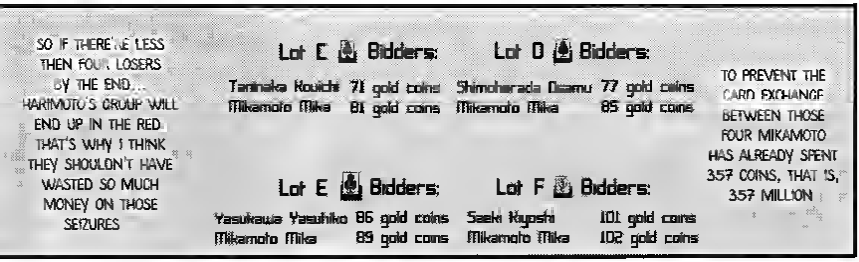
HE'S CONTENT WITH THE RESULT, THINKING HE'S DONE ENOUGH ALREADY AND IS NOW SIMPLY RELAXING...
I SEE.
AND NOW THAT HE'S GOTTEN RID OF THE LUGGAGE IN THE FORM OF KAWAI, HE'S TAKING IT EASY.


THAT WAS CLEARLY OVERPRICED.
IF YOU REMEMBER, MIKAMOTO PAID 102 COINS TO SEIZE ♡3 FROM SAEKI.
Change session: Round 3
Lot F
Bidders:
Saeki Kiyoshi 101 gold coins
Mikamoto Mika 102 gold coins
Winner:
Mikamoto Mika

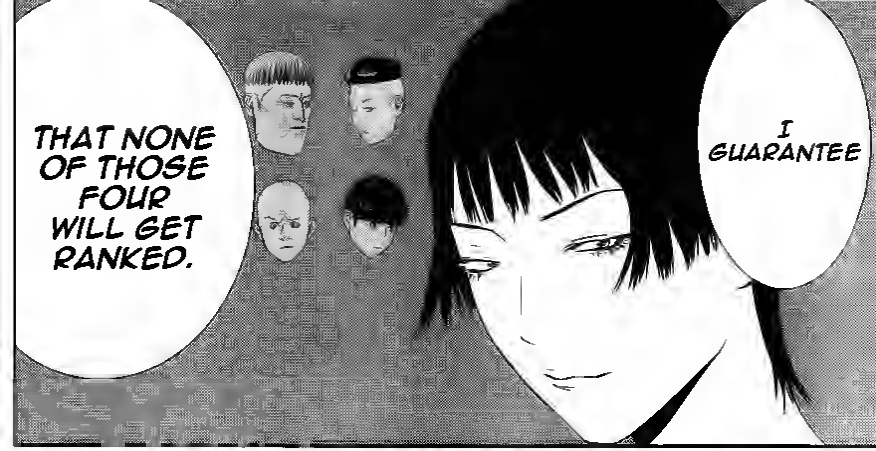
I THINK THEY OVERDID IT A BIT IN THE PREVIOUS PERIOD.
...WHICH SUBSEQUENTLY ALLOWS HARIMOTO'S GROUP TO DO ANYTHING THEY PLEASE.
?
WHY IS THAT?
STILL

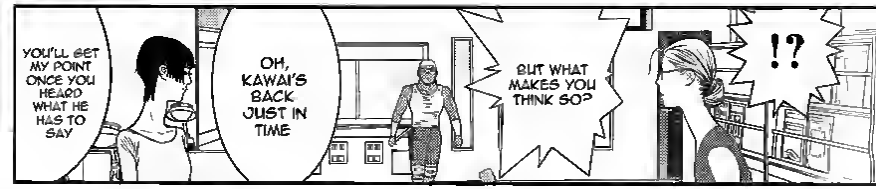

THAT IS, EACH PLAYER WHO FAILS TO GET RANKED BY THE END OF THE GAME, GIVES EXTRA 110 MILLION TO HARIMOTO'S GROUP
2nd place-Akiyama 40mil
1st place 100mil
Loser
Penalty 50mil
3rd place 10mil
WITH HARIMOTO AND MIKAMOTO RANKED 1ST AND 2ND AT THE MOMENT, THEIR REWARD WILL BE LIKE SO


...HARIMOTO'S GROUP WILL ONLY EARN 220 MILLION INSTEAD OF 440 MILLION THEY'RE HOPING TO GET
110
Harimoto's group
I'm ranked!
Me too!
HOWEVER, THERE IS STILL A POSSIBILITY OF SOME OF THOSE FOUR QUALIFYING TO GET RANKED.
IF, FOR INSTANCE, TWO OF THEM MANAGE TO ASSEMBLE VALID HANDS BY THE END OF THE GAME—


SO IF THERE'RE LESS THEN FOUR LOSERS BY THE END... HARIMOTO'S GROUP WILL END UP IN THE RED. THAT'S WHY I THINK THEY SHOULDN'T HAVE WASTED SO MUCH MONEY ON THOSE SEIZURES
Lot C Bidders:
Tanaka Kouichi 71 gold coins
Mikamoto Mika 81 gold coins
Lot D Bidders:
Shimokarada Osamu 77 gold coins
Mikamoto Mika 85 gold coins
Lot E Bidders:
Yasukawa Yasuhiko 86 gold coins
Mikamoto Mika 89 gold coins
Lot F Bidders:
Saeki Kiyoshi 101 gold coins
Mikamoto Mika 102 gold coins
TO PREVENT THE CARD EXCHANGE BETWEEN THOSE FOUR MIKAMOTO HAS ALREADY SPENT 357 COINS, THAT IS, 357 MILLION

...IF ONE OF THOSE FOUR MANAGES TO GET A VALID HAND, WE'LL BE IN THE RED...
IF THAT'S WHAT'S BOTHERING YOU, REST ASSURED
YOU THINK THAT USING UP 102 COINS JUST TO STOP THAT LAST ATTEMPT AT CARD EXCHANGE WAS OVERDOING IT... DID I GET YOU RIGHT?
IN OTHER WORDS ...
YES... I THINK SO BE-CAUSE ...
KIMURA IS EXPLAINING HER DECISION TO MIKAMOTO RIGHT AT THIS VERY MOMENT, SO WHY DON'T WE LISTEN.
ABOUT THAT ...
YES, I AGREE... LIKE YOU, I ALSO DOUBT THAT SEIZING ALL THOSE LOTS WAS A GOOD MOVE ON THEIR PART.


I GUARANTEE
THAT NONE OF THOSE FOUR WILL GET RANKED.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BUT WHAT MAKES YOU THINK SO?
OH, KAWAI'S BACK JUST IN TIME
YOU'LL GET MY POINT ONCE YOU HEARD WHAT HE HAS TO SAY

YOU'RE AWESOME, KIMURA-SAN!
IT WENT EXACTLY AS YOU SAID!
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DID SOME-THING HAPPEN?
AH, WELL I WENT TO SPY ON TANINAKA.
CAUSE KIMURA-SAN SAID TANINAKA'D TRY TO ENLIST SHIMOHARADA'S COOPERATION NEXT.

AND THAT'S WHAT THE DUDE REALLY DID!
HIM AND SHIMOHARADA TRIED TO WORK SOMETHING OUT.
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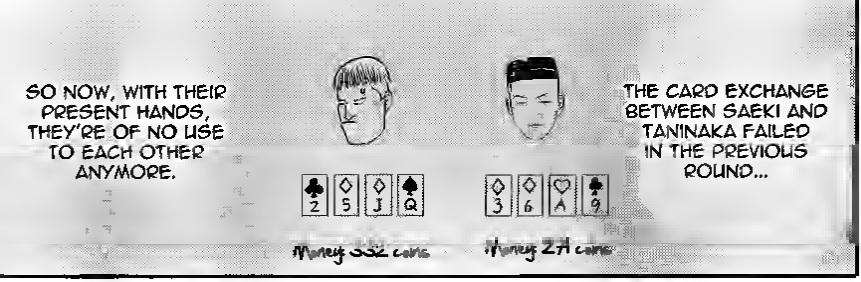
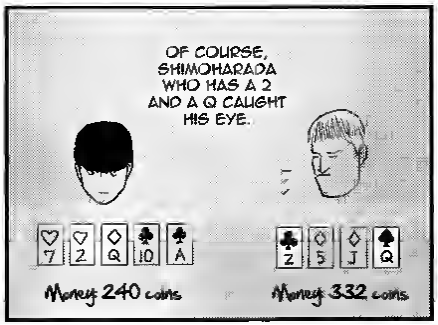
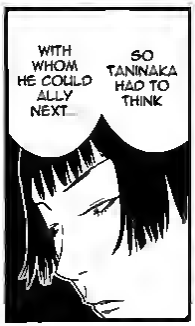
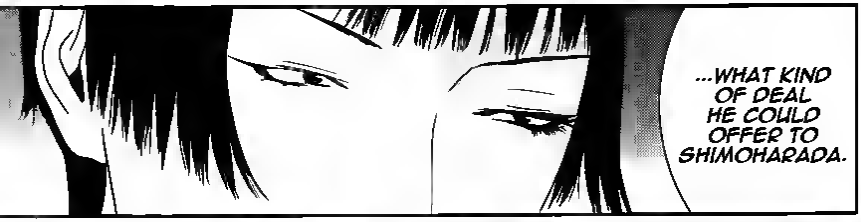
IT WAS EASY TO PREDICT THAT THOSE TWO WOULD TRY TO CONSPIRE NEXT.


SO NOW, WITH THEIR PRESENT HANDS, THEY'RE OF NO USE TO EACH OTHER ANYMORE.
♣2 ♢5 ♢J ♠Q
Money 332 coins
♢3 ♢6 ♡A ♠9
Money 271 coins
THE CARD EXCHANGE BETWEEN SAEKI AND TANINAKA FAILED IN THE PREVIOUS ROUND...

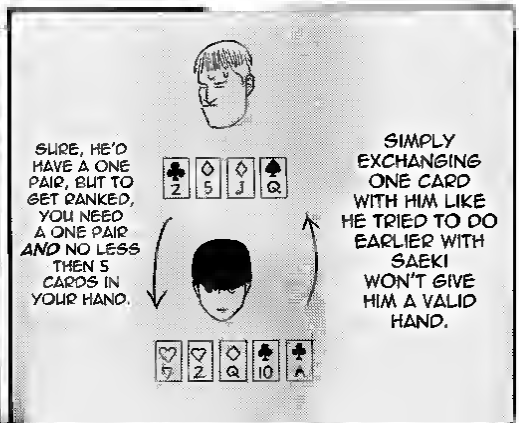
INDEED
HIS NEXT PROBLEM WAS...


OF COURSE, SHIMOHARADA WHO HAS A 2 AND A Q CAUGHT HIS EYE.
♡7 ♡2 ♢Q ♠10 ♣A
Money 240 coins
♣2 ♢5 ♢J ♠Q
Money 332 coins


SO TANINAKA HAD TO THINK
WITH WHOM HE COULD ALLY NEXT...


...WHAT KIND OF DEAL HE COULD OFFER TO SHIMOHARADA.

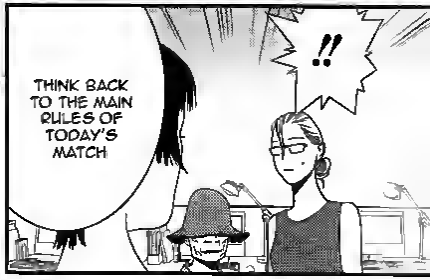
AH, OF COURSE!
WHICH MEANS, TANINAKA HAD ONLY ONE PATH OPENED TO HIM IF HE WANTED TO ALLY WITH SHIMOHARADA... AND THAT IS...

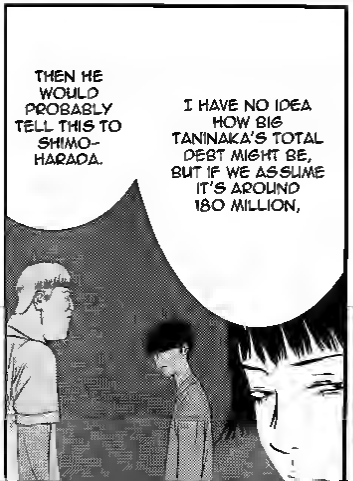

SURE, HE'D HAVE A ONE PAIR, BUT TO GET RANKED, YOU NEED A ONE PAIR *AND* NO LESS THEN 5 CARDS IN YOUR HAND.
♣2 ♢5 ♢J ♠Q
♡7 ♡2 ♢Q ♠10 ♣A
SIMPLY EXCHANGING ONE CARD WITH HIM LIKE HE TRIED TO DO EARLIER WITH SAEKI WON'T GIVE HIM A VALID HAND.

THE RULES OF THIS BID POKER ROUND STATE

1. EACH PLAYER IS GIVEN 300 COINS TO USE IN THIS GAME.

2. AFTER THE END OF THE GAME EACH PLAYER IS REQUIRED TO RETURN 100 COINS. IF A PLAYER'S FUNDS EXCEED 100 COINS, THE EXCESS SUM BELONGS TO THE PLAYER.





THEN HE WOULD PROBABLY TELL THIS TO SHIMO-HARADA.
I HAVE NO IDEA HOW BIG TANINAKA'S TOTAL DEBT MIGHT BE, BUT IF WE ASSUME IT'S AROUND 180 MILLION,

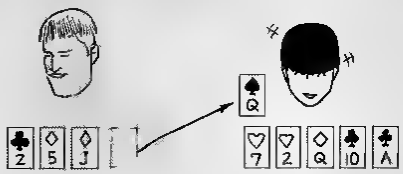
IT'S THE BIGGEST CHANCE GIVEN TO THE PLAYERS TO PAY OFF THEIR DEBTS.
TO PUT IT SIMPLY, THIS CONSOLATION ROUND IS AN EASY WAY TO EARN A LOT OF MONEY

THIS WAY, BOTH OF US WILL BE SAVED!

I'LL DISCARD MY ♠Q, AND YOU'LL BID 100 COINS ON IT.

TANINAKA, WITH ONLY 3 CARDS, LOSES. HOWEVER, AFTER ADDING 100 COINS SHIMOHARADA BID ON HIS Q TO HIS MONEY, HE'LL BE IN POSSESSION OF 432 COINS.

SHIMOHARADA OBTAINS ♠Q AND SAFELY WINS.




Money 332+100= 432 coins

Money 240-100= 140 coins

IN OTHER WORDS, ACCORDING TO HIS IDEA

ACTUALLY, THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT HE SAID TO SHIMOHARADA!

THAT IS, AFTER ALL THE SUBTRACTIONS, HE'LL STILL HAVE 182 COINS LEFT. WITH THAT SUM, HE CAN PAY OFF A DEBT UP TO 182 MILLION!

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|---|---|
| | 432 coins |
| Loser penalty | −150 coins |
| Company's return | −100 coins |
| | 182 coins |

LOSERS HAVE TO PAY UP 150 COINS, I.E. 150 MILLION, AS A PENALTY AND, LIKE EVERY ONE ELSE, THEY'RE ALSO REQUIRED TO RETURN 100 COINS TO THE COMPANY.

...THERE'S A PROBLEM.

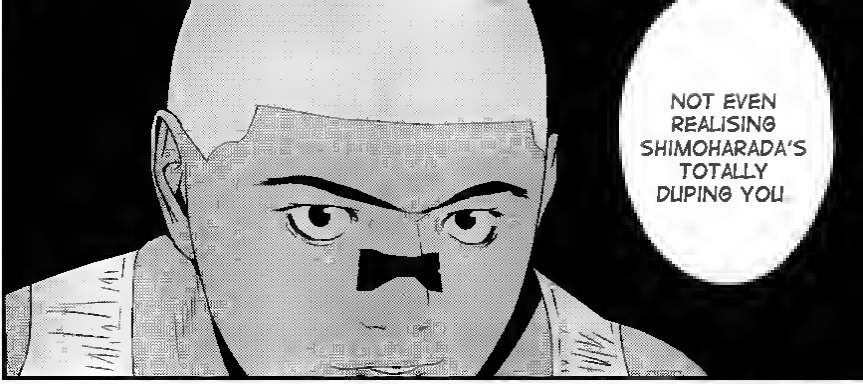
PRECISELY. ONLY ...

THAT DOES SEEM LIKE THE BEST WAY OUT FOR HIM.

HE'LL BE SAFELY OUT OF THE LIAR GAME WITH HIS DEBTS PAYED OFF AND MAYBE WITH EVEN SOME EXTRA MONEY LEFT!

THEIR INTERESTS DON'T EXACTLY COINSIDE.
FOR TANINAKA TO LOSE AND GET OUT OF THE GAME SAFELY, SHIMOHARADA HAS TO WIN AND CONTINUE THE GAME
YOU THINK?
INDEED, THAT GOES AGAINST HIS INTERESTS— MEANING SHIMOHARADA SHOULD TURN TANINAKA'S OFFER DOWN
EVEN THOUGH THIS IS A MATCH WHERE YOU'RE GIVEN THE CHANGE TO MAKE BIG MONEY, THE MEASLY SUM HE'LL END UP WITH WON'T HELP MUCH WITH HIS DEBT, AND, AS A RESULT, HE'LL HAVE TO STAY IN THE GAME
IF SHIMOHARADA PAYS 100 COINS FOR THE CARD TANINAKA DISCARDED, HE'LL BE DOWN TO 140 COINS. SUBTRACT 100 COINS HE HAS TO PAY BACK TO THE COMPANY, AND YOU'LL GET MEASLY 40 COINS IN THE END FOR HIM—
AH, INDEED...
AND WHAT D'YOU THINK SHIMOHARADA ANSWERED?
TANINAKA APPROACHED HIM ASKING HIM IF HE WANTED TO BUY HIS ♠Q FOR 100 COINS
...HE ACTUALLY HAPPILY ACCEPTED!
MIGHT BE HARD TO BELIEVE IT, BUT...

ACCEPTED?! HE'S KIND OF AN IDIOT, ISN'T HE...
WELL, IDIOT OR NOT, THEY HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COME TO AN AGREEMENT, WHICH IS DETRIMENTAL TO US, AS IT MEANS THERE WILL BE ONE LESS PIG...
NO NEED TO WORRY
I SENT KAWAI AFTER TANINAKA SPECIFICALLY TO PREVENT THAT..
YEAH, AND FOR THE RECO-RD.
SHIMO-HARADA IS NO IDIOT
IF ANY-THING, IT'S THE OPPO-SITE
HE CAUGHT ON TO TANINAKA'S SCHEME IN NO TIME AND NOTICED A HUGE HOLE IN IT.
THAT'S WHY HE AGREED SO READILY.
A HOLE?
YUP! A HOLE!
AND I, BEING THE GREAT GUY I AM, WENT AND OPENED TANINAKA'S EYES TO THE TRUTH!
YO, TANINAKA I HEAR YOU WANNA GIVE YOUR ♠Q TO SHIMOHARADA FOR 100 COINS?
TCH HE GOT WIND OF IT, HUH
NO IDEA WHATCHA TALKING ABOUT
FU FU
THINK YOU CAN GO INTO IT WITH EASY MIND, DONCHA?


NOT EVEN REALISING SHIMOHARADA'S TOTALLY DUPING YOU

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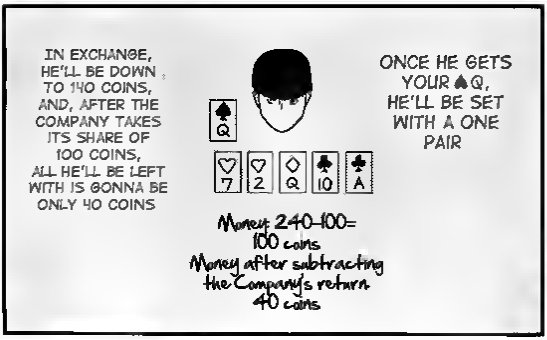
IN EXCHANGE, HE'LL BE DOWN TO 140 COINS, AND, AFTER THE COMPANY TAKES ITS SHARE OF 100 COINS, ALL HE'LL BE LEFT WITH IS GONNA BE ONLY 40 COINS
♠Q
♡7 ♡2 ◇Q ♣10 ♣A
ONCE HE GETS YOUR ♠Q, HE'LL BE SET WITH A ONE PAIR
Money 240-100= 100 coins
Money after subtracting the Company's return 40 coins

'TIS NO ROCKET SCIENCE, DUDE JUST PUT YOURSELF IN SHIMOHARADA'S SHOES AND THINK ABOUT IT
WHAT'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?

THERE'S ONLY ONE REASON HE'D DO THAT
YEAH, I GUESS
YOU'D THINK ANY SANE DUDE JUST SAYS, 'GO TO HELL', TO A SHITTY PROPOSAL LIKE THAT, Y'KNOW? BUT HE AGREED! GLEEFULLY AT THAT! WEIRD, AIN'T IT?
BUT THOSE LOUSY 40 COINS AIN'T GONNA DO NO SQUAT TO ELEVATE HIS DEBT, SO HE GOT NO CHOICE BUT CONTINUE PLAYING

YOU'LL GET 10 COINS MAX, OR, IF YOU'RE REAL UNLUCKY, ONLY 1 COIN FOR IT.
HE GOT NO INTENTION TO BUY YOUR ♠Q FOR 100 COINS.
GEEZ, WHO EVEN NEEDS THAT CARD OF YOURS... JUST LOOK AT THE OTHER PLAYERS' HANDS.
IT'S INSANE TO BID ONLY 1 COIN! HE WON'T DO IT! THE CARD WOULD JUST GET SNATCHED BY THE OTHER PLAYERS IF HE DID! HE WON'T RISK IT!
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NO WAY...!
AND WITH NO ONE WANTING IT, IT CAN BE WON FOR A VERY LOW PRICE, SIMPLE AS THAT.
WHAT ELSE D'YOU EXPECT? OF COURSE IT'LL SELL CHEAP IF IT'S NOT IN HOT DEMAND!
Harimoto's group
I've already wasted enough money
All our group's members are already ranked, so...
We have no cards in the first place...
Don't need it.
Don't need it.
Don't need it.
♢3 ♢6 ♡A ♣9
♢A ♢10 ♢9 ♢7 ♢4
♠J ♡10 ♡6 ♡8
TO WANT YOUR ♠Q, DUDE.
NONE OF THEM HAS ANY REASON

MY COIN COUNT WON'T GO HIGHER THAN 342 COINS... AND AFTER THE 150 COIN PENALTY AND THE 100 COIN COMPANY RETURN ARE SUBTRACTED...
IF SHIMOHARADA REALLY WINS MY ♠Q FOR ONLY 10 COINS...

AND GO UNDER!
I WILL BE FORCED OUT OF THE GAME WITH HUGE DEBTS STILL REMAINING

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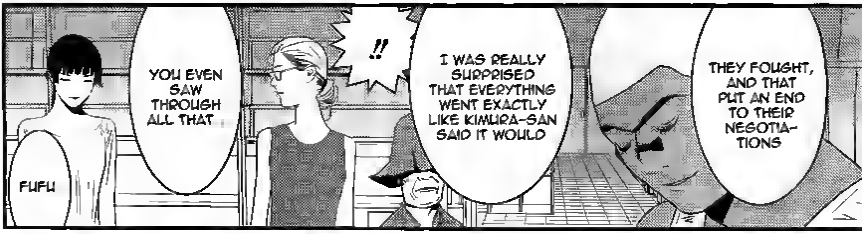
SHIMO-HARADA! LET'S CHANGE OUR DEAL!
AND THEN HE STOMPED TO FIND SHIMOHA-RADA
THAT'S WHEN TANINAKA'S TURNED MARVELOUS PALE BLUE IN THE FACE!

THAT WAY, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO DROP OUT OF THE GAME THAT'S WAY BETTER FOR YOU, RIGHT?
I'LL BID 100 COINS ON YOUR ♢Q.

I REFUSE.
HUH?!
!!
YOU WANNA WIN IT FOR JUST 1 COIN, NO?
I REALIZE THAT YOU'RE NOT GONNA BID 100 COINS ON THE CARD I DISCARD.
I DO REALIZE.
YEAH
NO, NO, WAIT DO YOU EVEN REALIZE THAT'S, LIKE, THE BEST CONDITIONS FOR YOU?!
WANTED TO DUPE ME AND CLEAR YOUR DEBTS ALL IN ONE GO, EH?
OH, SO YOU ARE QUICK ON UPTAKE, HUH— WHICH MEANS YOU WANTED TO DO THE SAME TO ME, EH?

YOU TOTALLY DID! WHY ELSE ACCEPT SUCH UNFAVORABLE CONDITIONS?!
NO, I DIDN'T! DON'T LUMP ME TOGETHER WITH THE LIKES OF YOU!


FUFU
YOU EVEN SAW THROUGH ALL THAT...
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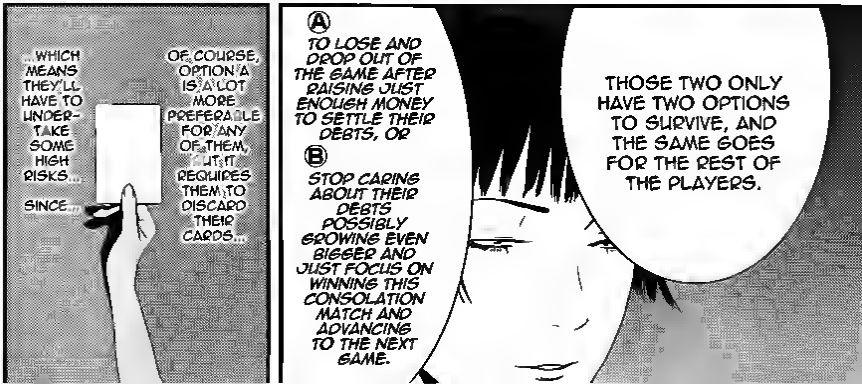
I WAS REALLY SURPRISED THAT EVERYTHING WENT EXACTLY LIKE KIMURA-SAN SAID IT WOULD
THEY FOUGHT, AND THAT PUT AN END TO THEIR NEGOTIATIONS


...WHICH MEANS THEY'LL HAVE TO UNDERTAKE SOME HIGH RISKS...
SINCE...
OF COURSE, OPTION A IS A LOT MORE PREFERABLE FOR ANY OF THEM, BUT IT REQUIRES THEM TO DISCARD THEIR CARDS...
Ⓐ TO LOSE AND DROP OUT OF THE GAME AFTER RAISING JUST ENOUGH MONEY TO SETTLE THEIR DEBTS, OR
Ⓑ STOP CARING ABOUT THEIR DEBTS POSSIBLY GROWING EVEN BIGGER AND JUST FOCUS ON WINNING THIS CONSOLATION MATCH AND ADVANCING TO THE NEXT GAME.
THOSE TWO ONLY HAVE TWO OPTIONS TO SURVIVE, AND THE SAME GOES FOR THE REST OF THE PLAYERS.

THE CARDS CAN BE WON CHEAP, AND THOSE WHO DISCARDED THEM FACE THE RISK OF LOSING AND BEING FORCED OUT OF THE GAME WITH THEIR HUGE DEBTS STILL REMAINING.

AS THE GAME PROGRESSES, LESS AND LESS PLAYERS ARE WILLING TO COMPETE FOR DISCARDED CARDS, WHICH, IN TURN, SIGNIFICANTLY LOWERS THE PRICE OF THOSE CARDS.

THEY'RE ALL THINKING, "NO, I DON'T WANNA DISCARD" WHICH MEANS THEY'RE ALL LOCKED IN A STALEMATE, AND THE SITUATION GOES UNCHANGED

I'll let you drop out.

I'll let you drop out.

No, no.

UNLESS ONE OF THEM MUSTERS ENOUGH COURAGE TO ACTUALLY DISCARD HIS CARDS, OPTION B IS UNAVAILABLE FOR ALL OF THEM SO, THE QUESTION IS, IS THERE SOMEONE AMONG THEM WHO WOULD WANT TO DISCARD?

BUT WITH NO ONE WILLING TO DISCARD, OPTION B IS OUT OF REACH

Winning and advancing is a lot less risky.

AFTER CONSIDERING THAT RISK, THEY WOULD WANT TO TURN TO OPTION A INSTEAD, THAT IS, WINNING AND ADVANCING FOR THE TIME BEING

THEIR DISTRUST BINDS THEM HAND AND FOOT LIKE UNBREAKABLE CHAINS.

IT'S LIKE CHAINS.

FUFU. THEN LET ME ASSURE YOU.

ONLY 4 MINUTES REMAIN, HUH

WHAT AN INCREDIBLE MIND SHE HAS...

TRULY IMPRESSIVE... KIMURA PREDICTED ALL THAT AND SENT KAWAI TO MAKE SURE THE OTHER PLAYERS ARE LOCKED IN A STALEMATE...

WHICH WILL SET ALL FOUR OF THEM ON THE PATH LEADING TO THEIR EVENTUAL DEMISE.
IN THIS ROUND NONE OF THEM DISCARDS ANY CARDS
Change session: Round 4
Changing cards IN PROGRESS
Time left
0 minutes 31 seconds
Change session: Round 4
Changing cards IN PROGRESS
Time left
2 minutes 44 seconds
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THE TIME IS UP!
Change session: Round 4
Changing cards IN PROGRESS
Time left
0 minutes 00 seconds
IF NO ONE REALLY DISCARDED ANY CARDS, JUST LIKE KIMURA SAID...?
I WONDER ...
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!!
YOU MAY NO LONGER DISCARD YOUR CARDS!

Monitoring

Change session: Round 4

Cards discarded

| Players | Cards | Time |
|---|---|---|
| Saeki Kiyoshi | None | |
| Yasukawa Yasuhiko | None | |
| Shimoharada Osamu | None | |
| Taninaka Kouichi | None | |
| Kawai Tatsuya | None | |
| Akiyama Shin'ichi | None | |
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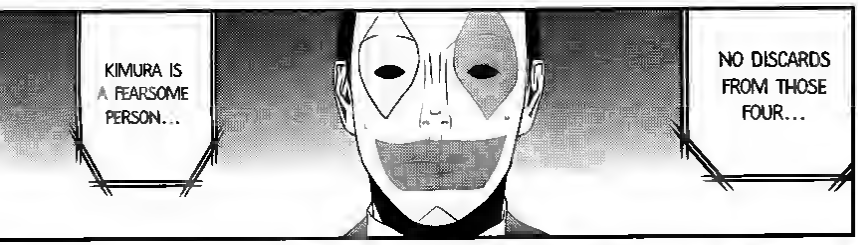
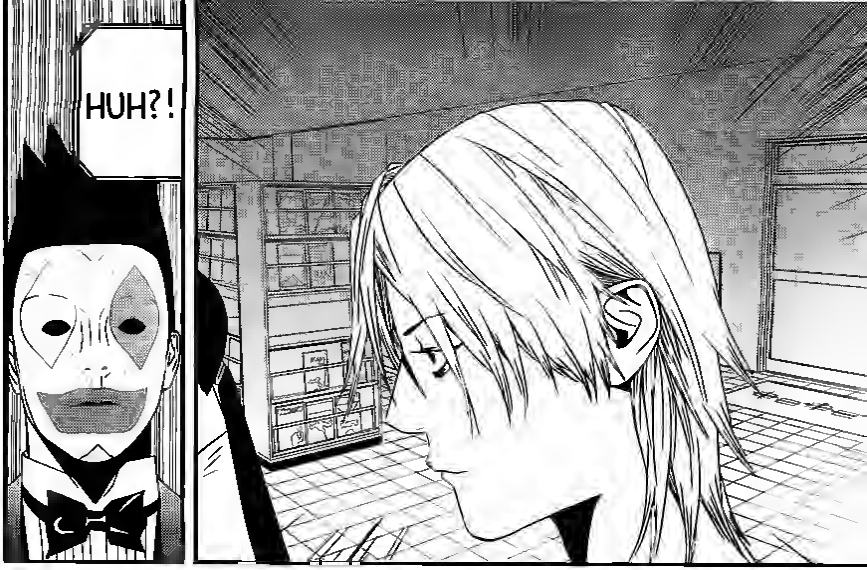


EVEN AKIYAMA HAD TO GIVE UP ON WINNING AND TAKE IT EASY WITH AN OPPONENT AS FORMIDABLE AS KIMURA..
I SEE..
...THE OTHER PLAYERS ARE GOING TO BE TAKEN FOR A TRIP TO HELL.
I BELIEVE THE SITUATION WILL DEVELOP ACCORDING TO HER EXPECTATIONS FROM THIS POINT ON AS WELL.
IN OTHER WORDS...
AS EXPECTED FROM THE SHADOW LEADER OF HARIMOTO'S GROUP... HER INTELLECTUAL PROWESS AND FORESIGHT IS A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH.


HUH?!

AKIYAMA JUST DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HE'S GIVEN UP AND IS IDLING AWAY THE TIME WAITING FOR THE GAME TO BE OVER...
NOTHING MUCH, BUT..
WHAT IS IT?
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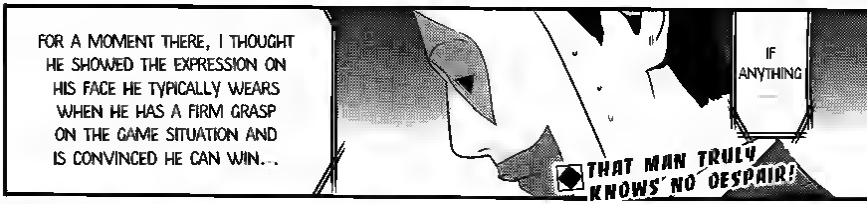
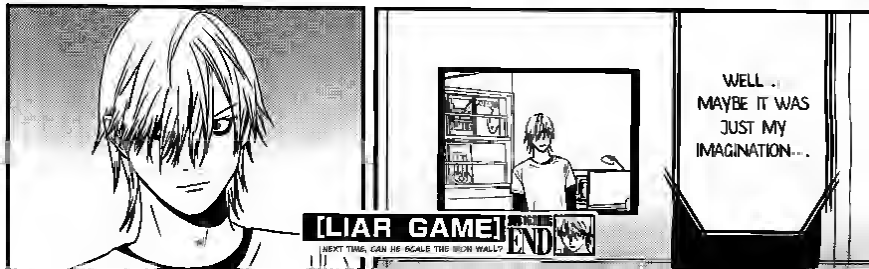

FOR A MOMENT THERE, I THOUGHT HE SHOWED THE EXPRESSION ON HIS FACE HE TYPICALLY WEARS WHEN HE HAS A FIRM GRASP ON THE GAME SITUATION AND IS CONVINCED HE CAN WIN..
IF ANYTHING
THAT MAN TRULY KNOWS NO DESPAIR!


WELL.. MAYBE IT WAS JUST MY IMAGINATION...
[LIAR GAME] NEXT TIME, CAN HE SCALE THE IRON WALL? END

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1st place | Harimoto Takashi<br>(straight flush, money: 0 coins) | |
| 2nd place | Akiyama Shin'ichi<br>(flush, money: 596 coins) | |
| 3rd place | Mikamoto Mika<br>(flush, money: 400 coins) | |
| 4th place | Abe Yukiyo<br>(one pair, money: 0 coins) | |
| 5th place | Kimura Kei<br>(one pair: money: 0 coins) | |
| No place | Taninaka Kouichi<br>(money: 332 coins) | |
| No place | Shimoharada Osamu<br>(money: 240 coins) | |
| No place | Saeki Kyoshi<br>(money: 271 coins) | |
| No place | Yasukawa Yasuhiko<br>(money: 152 coins) | |
| No place | Kanzaki Nao<br>(money: 312 coins) | |
| No place | Kawai Tatsuya<br>(money: 300 coins) | |

Iron troops of Harimoto's empire won't permit even the slightest of movements.

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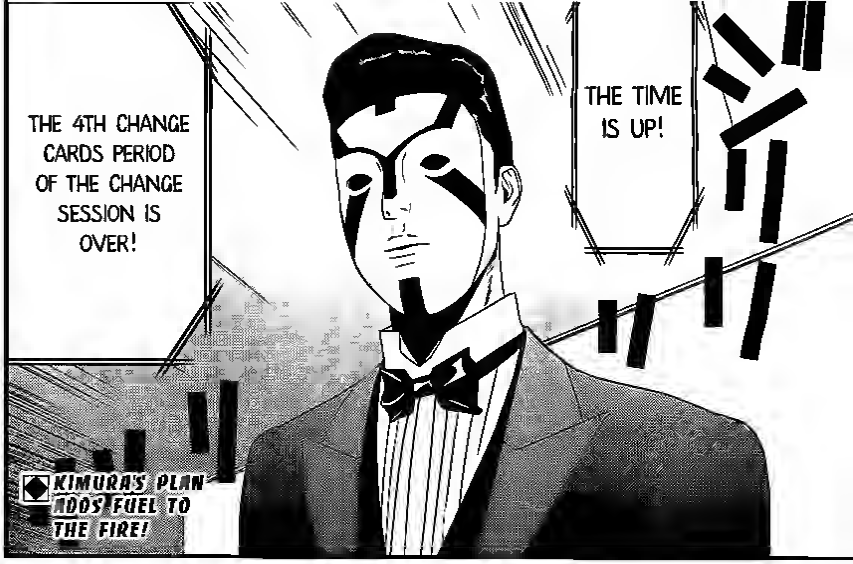
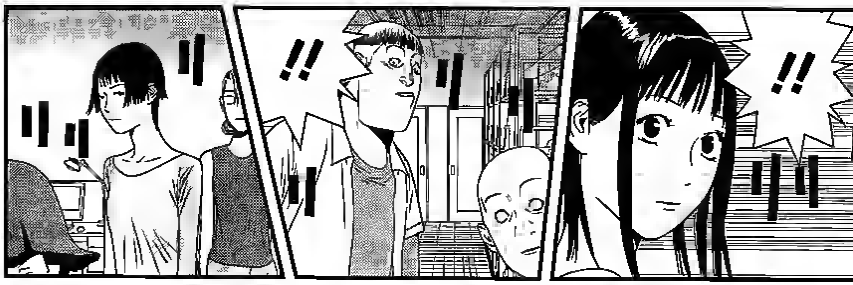

THE 4TH CHANGE CARDS PERIOD OF THE CHANGE SESSION IS OVER!
THE TIME IS UP!
KIMURA'S PLAN ADDS FUEL TO THE FIRE!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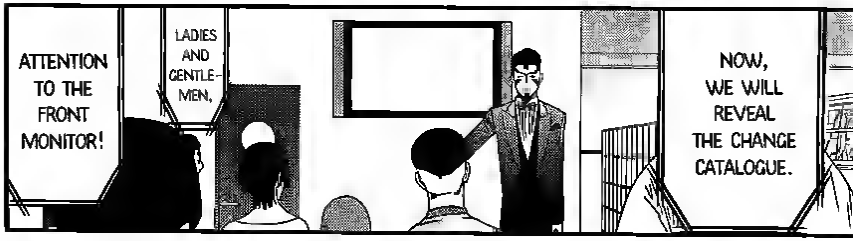
ATTENTION TO THE FRONT MONITOR!
LADIES AND GENTLE-MEN,
NOW, WE WILL REVEAL THE CHANGE CATALOGUE.

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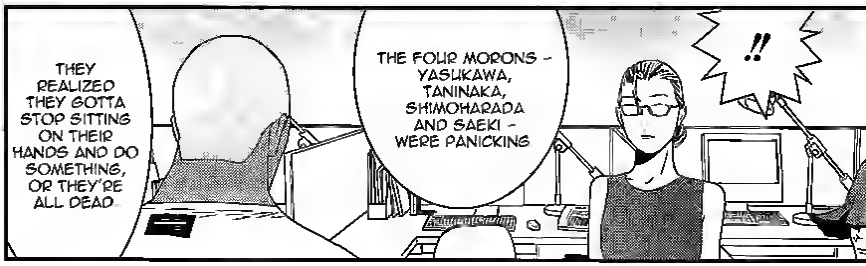
## Change catalogue

# No lots

WE WILL MOVE RIGHT ONTO THE 5TH AND FINAL ROUND OF THE CHANGE SESSION.
AT LAST, WITH ITS 5TH ROUND RIGHT AT HAND,
...
THE GAME WAS ABOUT TO ENTER ITS FINAL STAGE
FU FU
SO FAR, EVERYTHING WAS GOING SMOOTHLY
HOW-EVER
THERE'S SOMETHING BOTHERING ME
!?

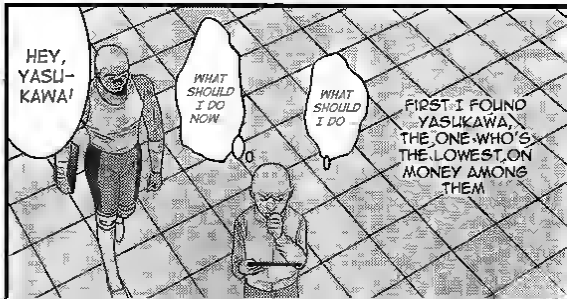
THEY'RE PRETTY MUCH CORNERED, WHICH MEANS THEY'RE MORE WILLING TO COMPROMISE THEN EVER, AND THAT CAN VERY WELL RESULT IN THEIR COOPERATING WITH EACH OTHER AFTER ALL.
THE NEXT ROUND IS THE LAST ONE.. THAT IS, IT'S THE SAME AS THE LAST CHANGE FOR THE REST OF THE PLAYERS.
I ALREADY HAVE SOMETHING UNDERWAY TO ENSURE THAT.
IT'S GOING TO BE OK, THOUGH.
I DON'T BELIEVE THEY CAN SUCCESSFULLY COOPERATE
BUT, THEY DO SAY BETER SAFE THAN SORRY
GREAT, KAWAI IS BACK.
AH
WHAT WENT WITHOUT A HITCH?
I SEE... GOOD JOB.
KIMURA-SAN! EVERYTHING WENT WITHOUT A HITCH!

I SET THE NEXT STAGE OF THE PLAN INTO MOTION.


THEY REALIZED THEY GOTTA STOP SITTING ON THEIR HANDS AND DO SOMETHING, OR THEY'RE ALL DEAD.
THE FOUR MORONS - YASUKAWA, TANINAKA, SHIMOHARADA AND SAEKI - WERE PANICKING
!!

WENT TO CALM THEM DOWN.
SO I, BEING THE GREAT GUY I AM,

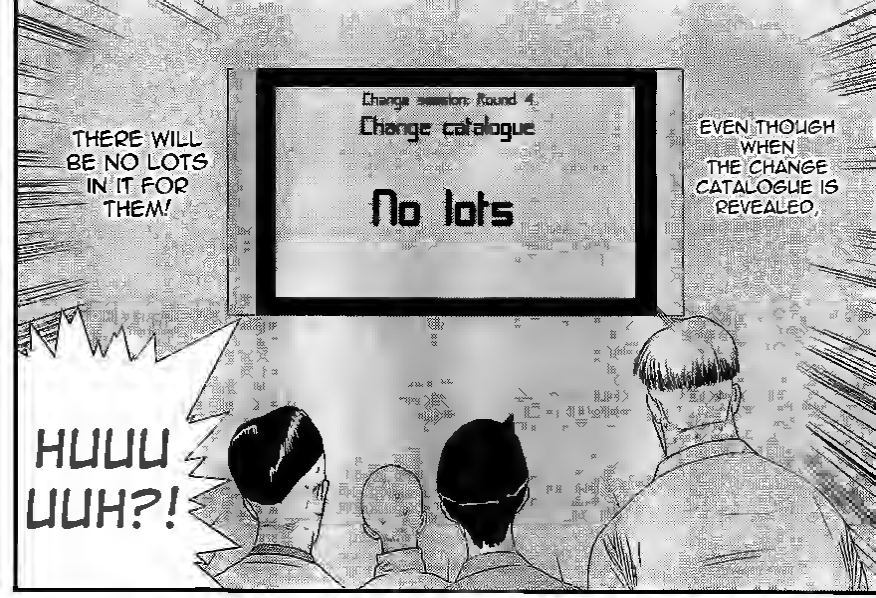
WHAT'D YOU WANT?!
OH, DON'T BE LIKE THAT. I BROUGHT YOU A JUICY PIECE OF INFO.
I HAVE NO BUSINESS WITH SOMEONE WITHOUT CARDS, SO GET LOST!


HEY, YASU-KAWA!
WHAT SHOULD I DO NOW
WHAT SHOULD I DO
FIRST I FOUND YASUKAWA, THE ONE WHO'S THE LOWEST ON MONEY AMONG THEM

LOOKS LIKE SAEKI THINKS IT'S ALL OR NOTHING SITUATION NOW,
AND HE WANTS TO DISCARD HIS WHOLE HAND.
YUP, NO DOUBT ABOUT IT
FOR REAL?!
!!
YOU'RE KIDDING ME!
TANINAKA'S ALSO THINKING ABOUT DISCARDING ALL OF HIS CARDS.
AND THAT'S NOT ALL.
INDEED
THAT'S WHY IT'S BETTER TO DISCARD THE CARDS AND GET MONEY FOR THEM.
IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU HAVE 4 CARDS OR 0, YOU DON'T QUALIFY TO GET RANKED ALL THE SAME.
NO NEED TO BE SO SURPRISED ABOUT IT. IT'S ONLY NATURAL, Y'KNOW
RIGHT
SINCE THERE'S COMPETITION FOR THEM, HE CAN HOPE FOR A GOOD PRICE.
BESIDES, IF TANINAKA DISCARDED HIS CARDS, BOTH YOU AND SHIMOHARADA'D WANNA GET 'EM.

THIS IS MY CHANCE FOR SALVATION!
SO IF I SIMPLY OUTBIT SHIMOHARADA, I'LL BE AMONG THE WINNERS OF THIS GAME!
WHAT I SAID TO HIM ABOUT TANINAKA AND SAEKI DISCARDING IS ALL LIES!
BUT OF COURSE,
...AND SAEKI.
...AND TANINAKA...
Yamakawa is gonna...
TO SHIMO-HARADA...
Taninaka is gonna discard his cards.
I ALSO TOLD THE SAME LIES
AMAZ-ING
KUKUKU! WHAT MORONS!
Look like I can pull it off without discarding my cards!
SO NOW EACH OF THEM BLISSFULLY BELIEVES THAT THERE'S NO NEED FOR HIM TO DISCARD HIS OWN CARDS.

BUT DID THEY ALL REALLY BELIEVE THAT LIE?
WELL, ABOUT THAT...
ACTUALLY, IT'S A SMALL WONDER HOW EASILY THEY FELL FOR IT!
FROM PSYCHOLOGICAL STANDPOINT, THE MORE A PERSON IS DRIVEN INTO A CORNER, THE EASIER THEY BELIEVE IN SOMETHING THAT'S CONVENIEN TO THEM.
THAT'S THE REASON WHY PEOPLE, BURDENED WITH PRESSING DEBTS, SO READILY AGREE TO OUTRAGEOUS CONDITIONS THAT LOAN SHARKS OFFER, LIKE 10% CHARGE FOR EVERY 10 DAYS, DESPITE THE FACT THAT WHEN THEY'RE NOT CORNERED, THEY ARE ABLE TO CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THAT UNDERTAKING SUCH OBLIGATION IS THE SAME AS TYING A ROPE AROUND THEIR OWN NECK.
10,000 YEAR OLD ONE!
THAT'S SIMPLY HOW HUMANS ARE.
OH.
I SEE.
KUKUKU THEY WERE ACTUALLY SMILING, CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?
THEY'RE NOW TOTALLY SURE THEY'LL BE SAFE!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No lots
THERE WILL BE NO LOTS IN IT FOR THEM!
EVEN THOUGH WHEN THE CHANGE CATALOGUE IS REVEALED,
HUUU UUH?!

...
I CAN'T STOP LAUGHING!
WHEN I IMAGINE WHAT THEIR FACES'D LOOK LIKE AT THAT MOMENT,

TIME FOR THE FINISHING TOUCHES.
ALRIGHT,

.....
I WONDER WHAT WILL HAPPEN NEXT.
HN
I BELIEVE I TOLD YOU THAT WHEN AKIYAMA AND KANZAKI TAKE SEPARATE ACTIONS, YOU ARE TO PRIORITIZE WATCHING AKIYAMA.
ギク
500 YEAR OLD ONE.
Y-
YES.
GO AND STAY BY 10,000 YEAR OLD ONE'S SIDE FOR THE REMAINING GAME TIME.
I-I'M SORRY
WELL, ANYWAY, YOUR MISSION ENDS HERE.

GOOD GRIEF...
SHE'S SO DAMN USELESS.
!!
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SO CAUTIOUS WITH ME, YOU KNOW.
FU FU
WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH ME?
I'M HERE TO OFFER YOU AN UNBELIEVABLY GOOD DEAL.

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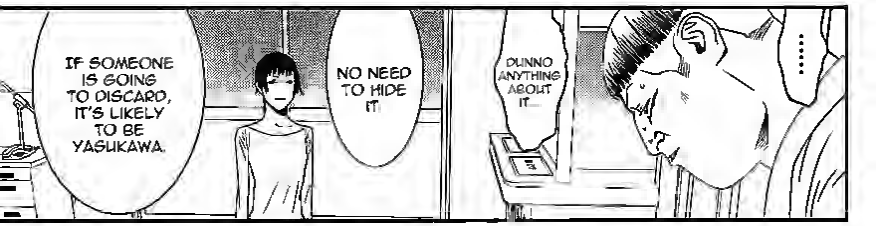
I HAPPENED TO OVER-HEAR SOMETHING
THAT SOMEONE IS GOING TO DISCARD THEIR CARDS IN THE NEXT ROUND.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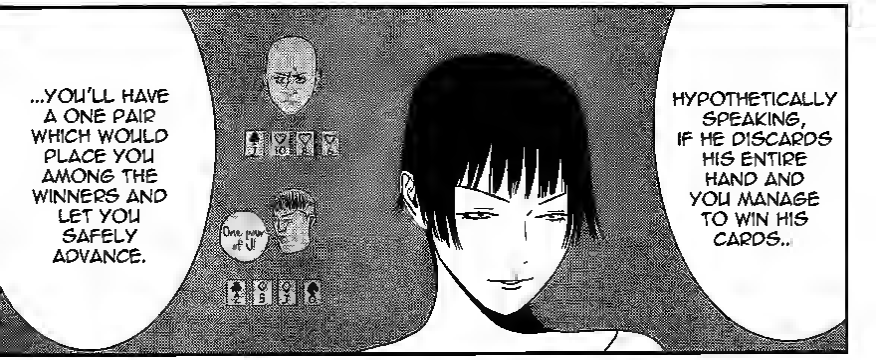
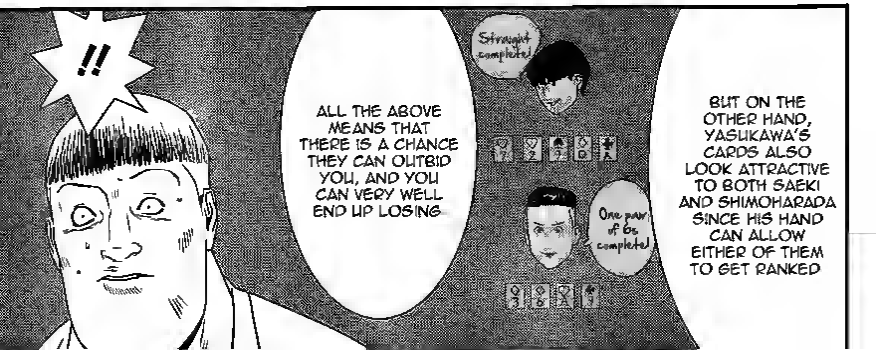
DUNNO ANYTHING ABOUT IT...
NO NEED TO HIDE IT.
IF SOMEONE IS GOING TO DISCARD, IT'S LIKELY TO BE YASUKAWA.


HYPOTHETICALLY SPEAKING, IF HE DISCARDS HIS ENTIRE HAND AND YOU MANAGE TO WIN HIS CARDS..
One pair of 3!
...YOU'LL HAVE A ONE PAIR WHICH WOULD PLACE YOU AMONG THE WINNERS AND LET YOU SAFELY ADVANCE.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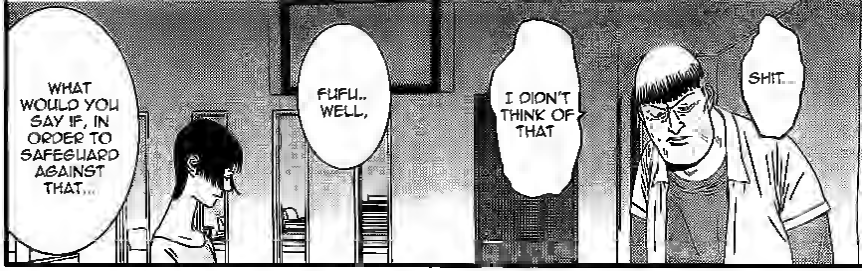
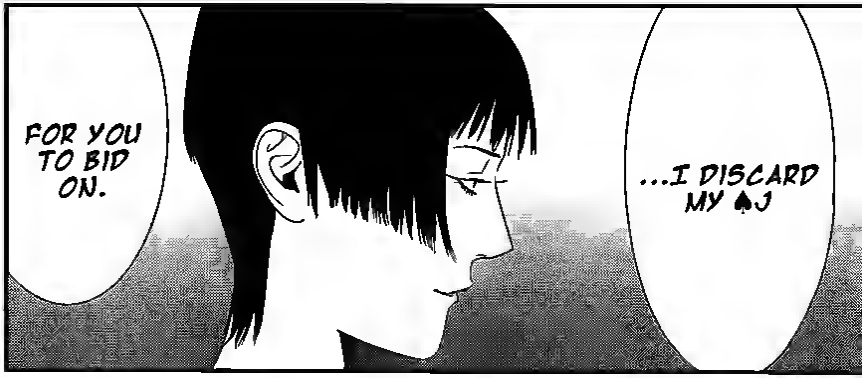
ALL THE ABOVE MEANS THAT THERE IS A CHANCE THEY CAN OUTBID YOU, AND YOU CAN VERY WELL END UP LOSING
Straight complete!
One pair of 6s complete!
BUT ON THE OTHER HAND, YASUKAWA'S CARDS ALSO LOOK ATTRACTIVE TO BOTH SAEKI AND SHIMOHARADA SINCE HIS HAND CAN ALLOW EITHER OF THEM TO GET RANKED


WHAT WOULD YOU SAY IF, IN ORDER TO SAFEGUARD AGAINST THAT...
FUFU.. WELL,
I DIDN'T THINK OF THAT
SHIT...


FOR YOU TO BID ON.
...I DISCARD MY ♠J

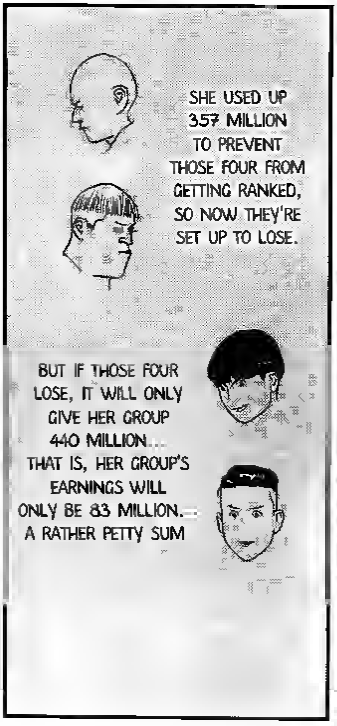
ON ONE CONDI-TION
YES, I AM
ARE YOU SURE ?!

!!

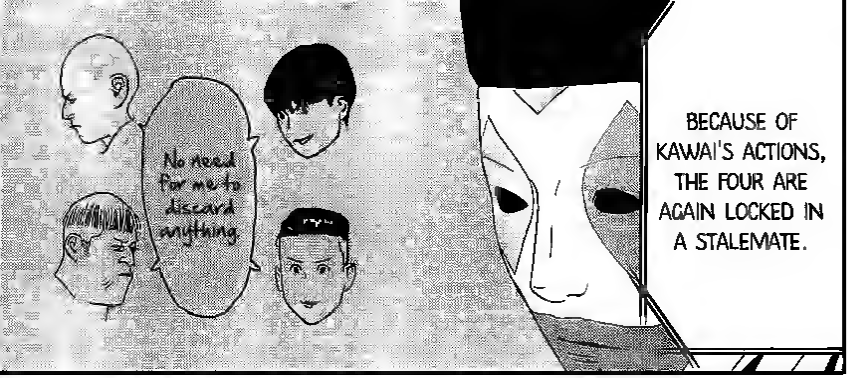
I'LL HAVE MIKAMOTO BID 284 COINS ON IT. SO IF YOU BID A SUM LESS THAN 285 THE CARD WILL SIMPLY GO BACK TO OUR GROUP.
YOU WILL BID 285 COINS ON IT.

285 COINS...
THAT'S TOO MUCH
NO, IT'S NOT.
IT'S WORLDS BETTER THAN LOSING WHILE STILL BEING BURDENED WITH ASTRONOMICAL DEBTS, DON'T YOU THINK?
THERE'S NOTHING AMBIGUOUS ABOUT THE COMPANY'S STATEMENT
THEIR PEOPLE WILL MAKE THE LOSERS PAY OFF THEIR DEBTS USING ANY MEANS NECESSARY.
THAT'S...
...PLAIN SCARY...
YES, I WOULD THINK SO.
THIS IS A NO-BRAINER IF YOU MANAGE TO WIN SOME CARDS THAT THE OTHER PLAYERS DISCARDED BEFORE THE BIDDING PERIOD FOR ♠J OPENS, YOU CAN SIMPLY IGNORE IT
BUT IF PUSH COMES TO SHOVE, YOU'LL HAVE THE OPTION OF AGREEING TO MY OFFER
REALLY?
OF COURSE
THANKS, THEN.
I'LL KEEP THIS IN MIND.
FU FU.

YOU IDIOT.
GOT YOU HOOK, LINE AND SINKER,


SHE USED UP 357 MILLION TO PREVENT THOSE FOUR FROM GETTING RANKED, SO NOW THEY'RE SET UP TO LOSE.
BUT IF THOSE FOUR LOSE, IT WILL ONLY GIVE HER GROUP 440 MILLION... THAT IS, HER GROUP'S EARNINGS WILL ONLY BE 83 MILLION... A RATHER PETTY SUM

I KNOW KIMURA'S REAL INTENTION!
I GET IT!!!


No need for me to discard anything.
BECAUSE OF KAWAI'S ACTIONS, THE FOUR ARE AGAIN LOCKED IN A STALEMATE.

...AND, OF COURSE, THEY'LL START PANICKING ONCE AGAIN.
Shit! Shit!
WTF?!
Cra! Crap!
Oh damn! Damn!
BUT SOON, THEY'LL SEE THAT NO ONE DISCARDED ANY CARDS..

SINCE LOSING WITH HUGE DEBTS STILL REMAINING IS NOT AN OPTION, HE'LL BID 285 COINS ON THAT CARD.
Lot
J
HOWEVER, TANINAKA HAS A BACKUP SOLUTION - KIMURA'S ♠J.

FUFUFU THAT'S NOT ALL THERE IS TO KIMURA'S PLAN
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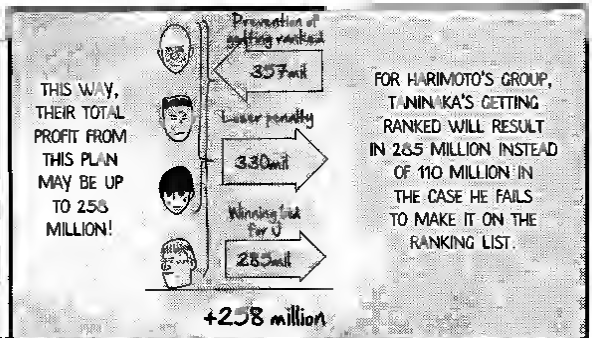
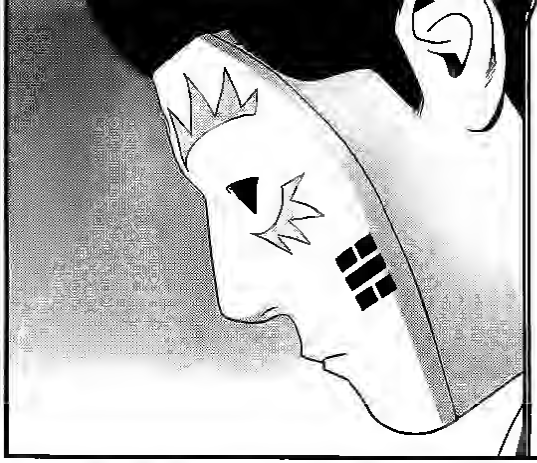
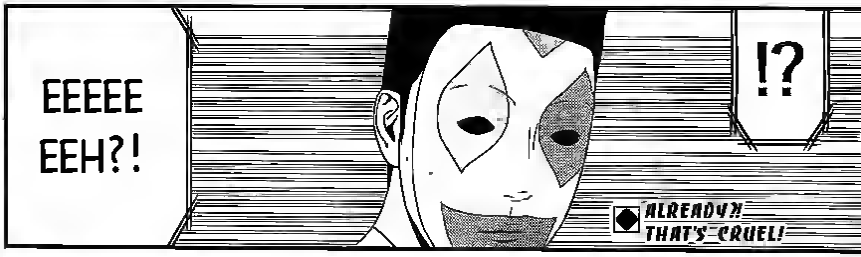
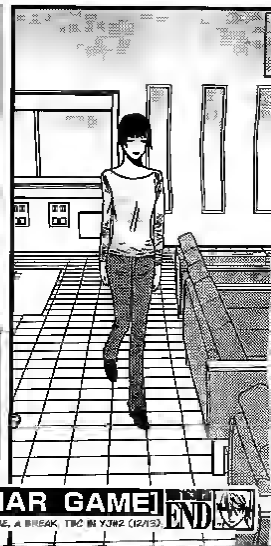

THIS WAY, THEIR TOTAL PROFIT FROM THIS PLAN MAY BE UP TO 258 MILLION!
Prevention of getting ranked
357mil
Loser penalty
330mil
Winning bid for J
285mil
+258 million
FOR HARIMOTO'S GROUP, TANINAKA'S GETTING RANKED WILL RESULT IN 285 MILLION INSTEAD OF 110 MILLION IN THE CASE HE FAILS TO MAKE IT ON THE RANKING LIST.





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Chapter 164
Overrun

# LIAR GAME
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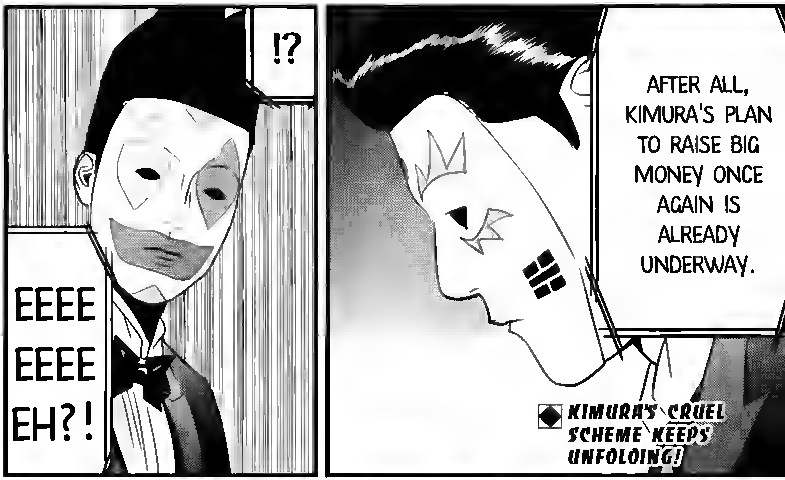
shinobu kaitani presents

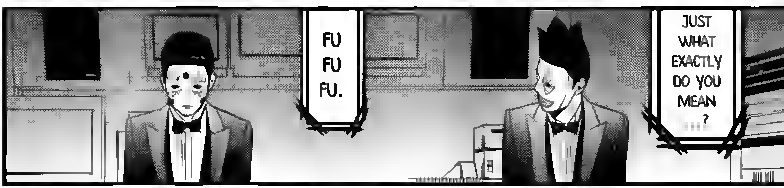
甲斐谷忍

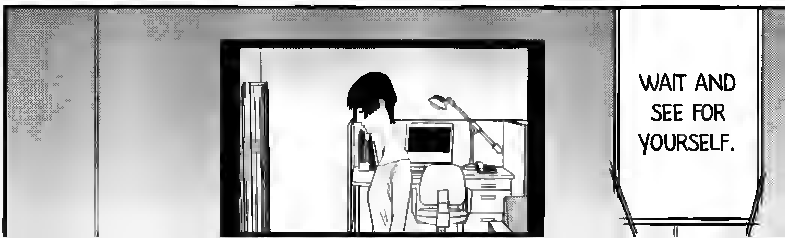
I still believe that there is a way to salvation.

シリーズ累計500万部突破!!

FU FU FU.
YOU SHOULDN'T BE SO IMPRESSED WITH HER SECURING A WAY TO PROCURE MERE 258 MILLION, REALLY.

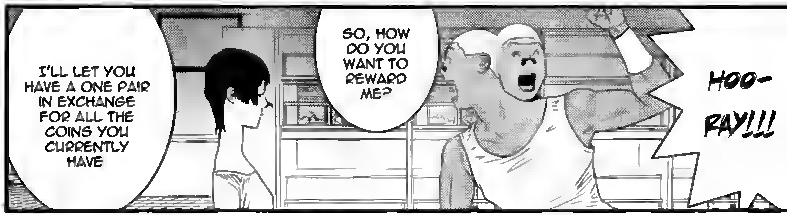

!?
EEEE EEEE EH?!
AFTER ALL, KIMURA'S PLAN TO RAISE BIG MONEY ONCE AGAIN IS ALREADY UNDERWAY.
KIMURA'S CRUEL SCHEME KEEPS UNFOLDING!


FU FU FU.
JUST WHAT EXACTLY DO YOU MEAN ...?


WAIT AND SEE FOR YOURSELF.

EVERYTHING WENT WITHOUT A HITCH.
FUFU FUFU. NO.
IS SOME-THING WRONG?
WE'LL GET 285 COINS FROM TANINAKA.
UM
FU FU.
YOU'RE INCREDIBLE, 1,000 YEAR OLD ONE!
IT MIGHT BE SHAMELESS OF ME TO SAY IT MYSELF, BUT I THINK I WAS PRETTY USEFUL TO YOUR GROUP, RIGHT.?
ABOUT OUR DEAL...
TO BE HONEST, I NEVER EXPECTED YOU TO BE *THAT* USEFUL.
YES, YOU WERE.

I WILL MAKE SURE TO REWARD YOU HANDSOMELY.
THANK YOU.


I'LL LET YOU HAVE A ONE PAIR IN EXCHANGE FOR ALL THE COINS YOU CURRENTLY HAVE
SO, HOW DO YOU WANT TO REWARD ME?
HOO-RAY!!!

HOW DOES THIS SOUND TO YOU?
THAT WILL ALLOW YOU TO AVOID THE WORST CASE SCENARIO WHERE YOU'RE FORCED OUT OF THE GAME WITH HUGE DEBTS.

WE'LL DO IT THIS WAY:
I'M REALLY GRATEFUL.
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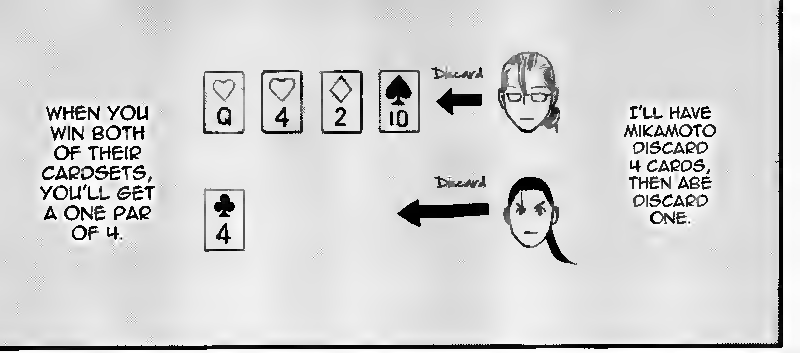
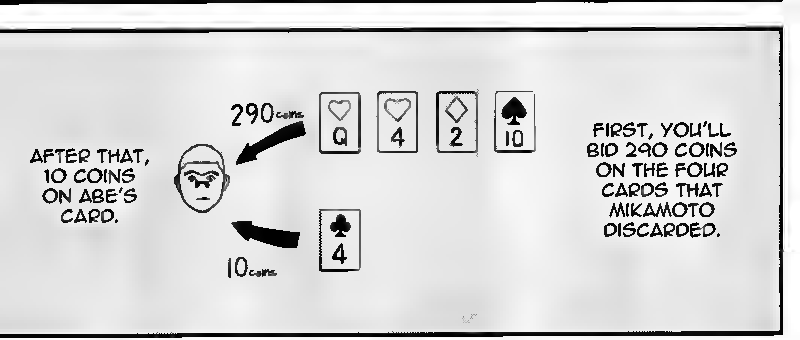
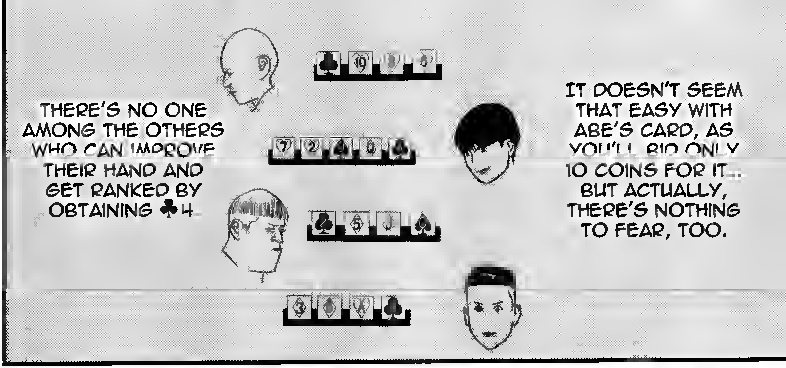
AWESOME! THAT WOULD BE MORE THAN ENOUGH!


WHEN YOU WIN BOTH OF THEIR CARDSETS, YOU'LL GET A ONE PAR OF 4.
Q
4
2
10
Discard
Discard
4
I'LL HAVE MIKAMOTO DISCARD 4 CARDS, THEN ABE DISCARD ONE.


AFTER THAT, 10 COINS ON ABE'S CARD.
290coins
10coins
Q
4
2
10
4
FIRST, YOU'LL BID 290 COINS ON THE FOUR CARDS THAT MIKAMOTO DISCARDED.

JUST LOOK AT THEIR PRESENT SITUATION.
NO, IT'S GOING TO BE FINE
BUT WOULDN'T THE OTHER PLAYERS STEAL THE CARDS FROM ME LIKE THAT?
?

BUT SAID TANINAKA HAS TO KEEP 285 COINS READY TO BID ON THE CARD THAT I PROMISED TO DISCARD FOR HIM. WHICH LEAVES VIRTUALLY NO CONTENDERS FOR MIKAMOTO'S CARDSET EXCEPT YOU.
152coins
332coins
40coins
271coins
YOUR BID ON THE CARDSET CONSISTING OF FOUR CARDS WILL BE 290 COINS, SO THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN OUTBID YOU IS TANINAKA.


THERE'S NO ONE AMONG THE OTHERS WHO CAN IMPROVE THEIR HAND AND GET RANKED BY OBTAINING ♣4.
IT DOESN'T SEEM THAT EASY WITH ABE'S CARD, AS YOU'LL BID ONLY 10 COINS FOR IT... BUT ACTUALLY, THERE'S NOTHING TO FEAR, TOO.

YOU NEED NOT WORRY.
YES.
THIS REALLY LOOKS LIKE A SAFE WAY FOR ME TO GET A ONE PAIR!
I SEE!

IN EXCHANGE
IF YOU BID EVEN A COIN LESS, WE'LL SIMPLY BID MORE THAN 11 COINS ON ABE'S CARD, AND IT WILL SAFELY RETURN BACK TO US, WHILE YOU WILL LOSE AND HAVE A TASTE OF HELL.
. YOU BETTER NOT TRY TO DECEIVE US BY BIDDING ANYTHING LESS THAN 290 COINS ON THE CARDSET MIKAMOTO WILL DISCARD

I WILL BID EXACTLY 290 COINS, I PROMISE.
I GET IT...
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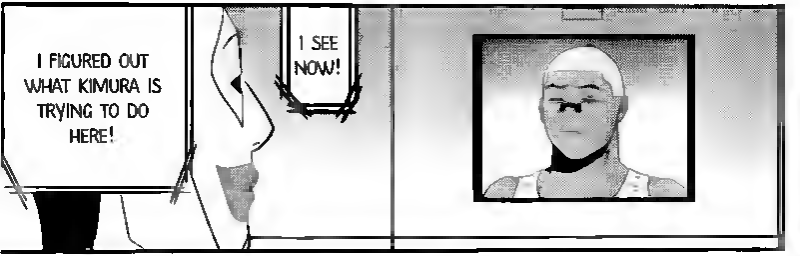
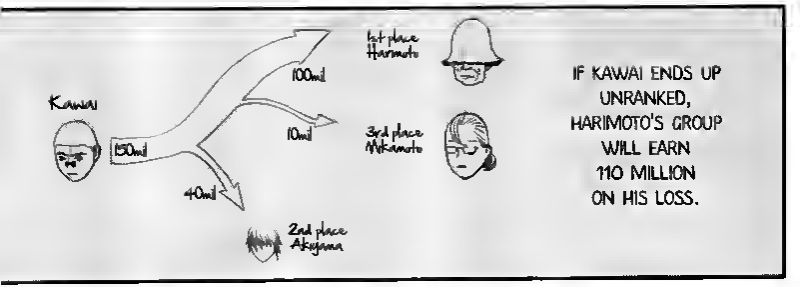

I FIGURED OUT WHAT KIMURA IS TRYING TO DO HERE!
I SEE NOW!


Kawai
150mil
100mil
10mil
40mil
1st place Harimoto
3rd place Mikamoto
2nd place Akiyama
IF KAWAI ENDS UP UNRANKED, HARIMOTO'S GROUP WILL EARN 110 MILLION ON HIS LOSS.

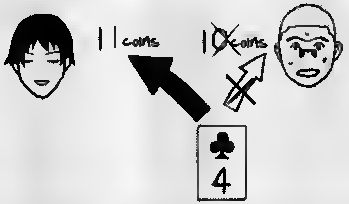
YUP! THE CASE WHERE GOING FROM THE CONTRARY GETS YOU THE BEST RESULTS!
BUT IF KIMURA LETS HIM HAVE A HAND THAT GETS HIM RANKED, HER GROUP EARNS 300 COINS!

THEIR PROFIT WILL BE 190 MILLION!
110 million
300 million
190 million
+
WITH THIS, THEY LOSE THE 110 MILLION INCOME FROM KAWAI'S LOSS, BUT IT WILL BE MORE THAN COMPENSATED WITH THEM GETTING ALL OF HIS COINS, THAT IS, 300 MILLION.
YOU HAVE NO IDEA EXACTLY WHAT WICKED POSSIBILITIES SHE ACTUALLY HASN'T OVERLOOKED THIS TIME AROUND.
YOU'RE STILL SO NAIVE, AREN'T YOU.
EH?!
EH?!
FU FU FU.
SHE TRULY OVERLOOKS NO POSSI-BILITY!
KIMURA IS AMAZING.
EEEEE EEH?!
...ABSOLUTELY DOESN'T FEEL LIKE LETTING KAWAI HAVE A ONE PAIR.
KIMURA

HER TRUE OBJECTIVE LIES IN THIS:

FIRST, SHE DOES PLAN TO SELL KAWAI THE FOUR CARD CARDSET FOR 290 COINS.

BUT IN REALITY, SHE WILL SNATCH IT AWAY FROM HIM BY BIDDING 1 COIN MORE THAN HIS BID.




AFTER THAT, SHE'S GOING TO PRETEND TO LET KAWAI HAVE THAT ONE CARD THAT ABE DISCARDS,

IF SHE FAILS TO PROCURE A FIFTH CARD FROM SOMEWHERE, SHE'LL END UP AMONG THE LOSERS.

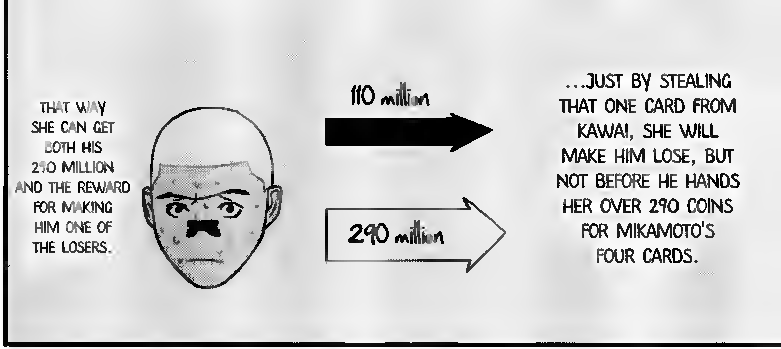
YOU DO REMEMBER THAT SHE WANTS TO SELL ONE OF HER CARDS TO TANINAKA, RIGHT? BUT THAT WILL LEAVE HER ONE CARD SHORT OF THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF CARDS IN HER HAND TO BE ON THE RANKING LIST.

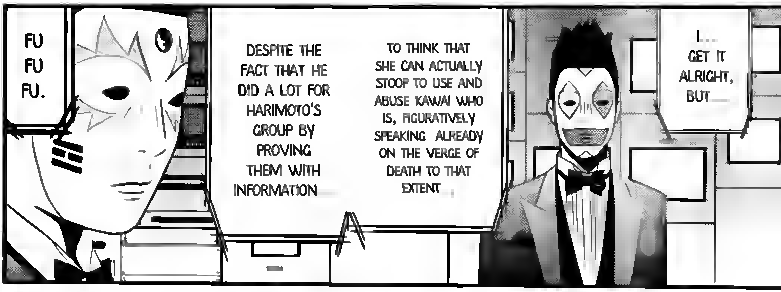
EH?!

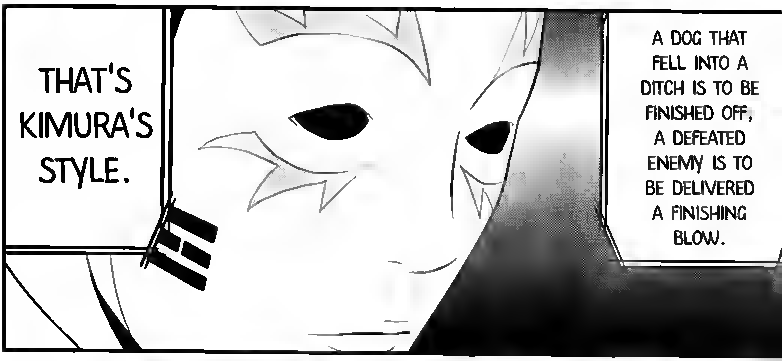
BECAUSE ...

YES, PRESICELY. I WILL DEFINITELY NOT PUT THIS KIND OF UNDERHANDED APPROACH PAST HER.

YOU WANT TO SAY SHE'S GOING TO SOLVE HER PROBLEM BY SNATCHING THAT CARD AWAY FROM KAWAI?!


THAT WAY SHE CAN GET BOTH HIS 290 MILLION AND THE REWARD FOR MAKING HIM ONE OF THE LOSERS.
110 million
290 million
...JUST BY STEALING THAT ONE CARD FROM KAWAI, SHE WILL MAKE HIM LOSE, BUT NOT BEFORE HE HANDS HER OVER 290 COINS FOR MIKAMOTO'S FOUR CARDS.


FU FU FU.
DESPITE THE FACT THAT HE DID A LOT FOR HARIMOTO'S GROUP BY PROVING THEM WITH INFORMATION
TO THINK THAT SHE CAN ACTUALLY STOOP TO USE AND ABUSE KAWAI WHO IS, FIGURATIVELY SPEAKING ALREADY ON THE VERGE OF DEATH TO THAT EXTENT
I... GET IT ALRIGHT, BUT...


THAT'S KIMURA'S STYLE.
A DOG THAT FELL INTO A DITCH IS TO BE FINISHED OFF, A DEFEATED ENEMY IS TO BE DELIVERED A FINISHING BLOW.

HOW SHE ROSE UP THROUGH THE RANKS IN THEIR CULT.
AND THAT'S
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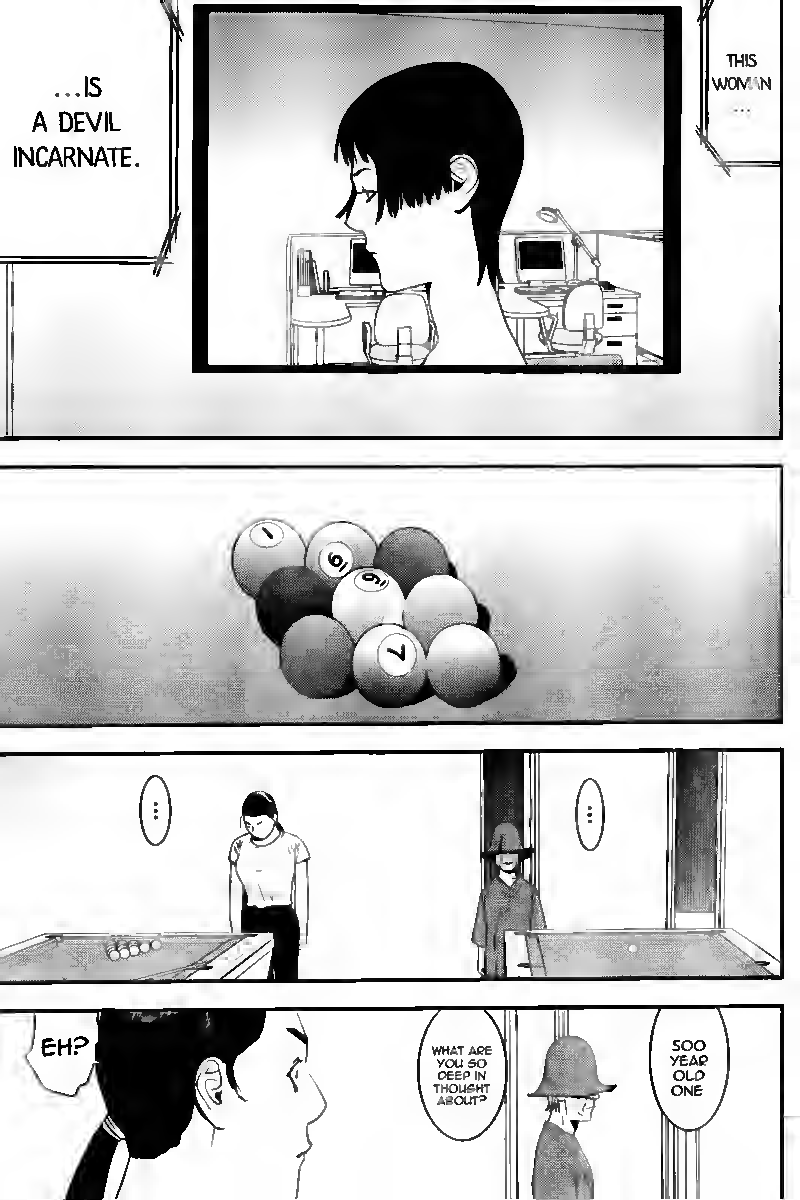
...IS A DEVIL INCARNATE.
THIS WOMAN ...
...
...
WHAT ARE YOU SO DEEP IN THOUGHT ABOUT?
SOO YEAR OLD ONE
EH?

IS YOUR HEAD STILL FULL OF KANZAKI NAO?
NO...
NOT REALLY
1,000 YEAR OLD ONE REPORTED
THAT YOU COMPLETELY NEGLECTED OBSERVING AKIYAMA'S ACTIONS IN FAVOR OF WATCHING KANZAKI.
N-NO!
I DID
NOTHING OF THE SORT...

DID YOU DISCUSS SOMETHING WITH KANZAKI?
NO...
IT HARDLY CAN BE CALLED A DISCUSSION...
SHE JUST...
ASKED ME A QUESTION...
'IS KIMURA THE ONE WHO REALLY CONTROLS HARIMOTO'S GROUP?'
THAT'S WHAT SHE ASKED
!!
OF COURSE, I ANSWERED NEGATIVE, BUT...
THE TRUTH IS, I'M NOT SURE MYSELF
.....

DID YOU REALLY WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LIAR GAME, 10,000 YEAR OLD ONE?
AND ...
HOW LONG DO YOU PLAN TO STAY IN IT?
.....
!!

YOU CAN NO LONGER DISCARD!
THE TIME IS UP!
LADIES AND GETLEMEN, AFTER THE GAME IS OVER, PLEASE ASSEMBLE IN THE LOBBY
OUR FIGHT HERE HAS COME A CLOSE...

...JUST HOW MUCH OF BLOCKHEADS THE PLAYERS ARE.
BUT STILL, IT ACTUALLY AMAZES ME...

FUFUFU MORONS
JUST LOOK AT ALL THESE IDIOTS MAKING THESE CAREFREE FACES, BECAUSE THEY'RE UNDER IMPRESSION THAT SOMEONE DISCARDED SOME CARDS THEY CAN BID ON

LET'S HAVE A LOOK AT OUR LAST CHANGE CATALOGUE.
ATTENTION TO THE FRONT MONITOR PLEASE!
WELL THEN,
YOU DON'T KNOW YET THAT YOU ALL ARE GOING TO FALL STRAIGHT TO HELL.

Change session: Round 5
Lot catalogue
Lot A
Lot B
1,000 YEAR OLD ONE!
1,000 YEAR OLD ONE!
KUKUKU! NOW BEHOLD AND AGONIZE, YOU FOOLS!
JUST LOOK AT THE MONITOR!
HOW SHOULD I EVEN PUT IT...
WHAT IS IT, 800 YEAR OLD ONE?
HN?

AAAAAAA
WHAT HAS KIMURA SO SHOCKED?! THAT MAN FINALLY STRIKES BACK!!!

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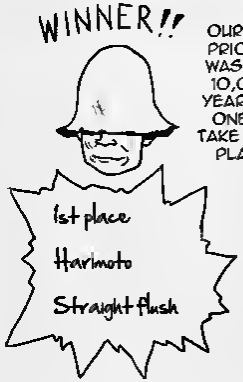
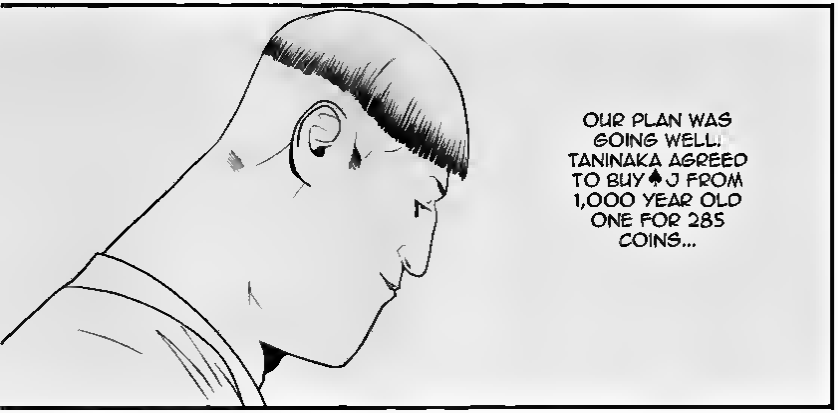
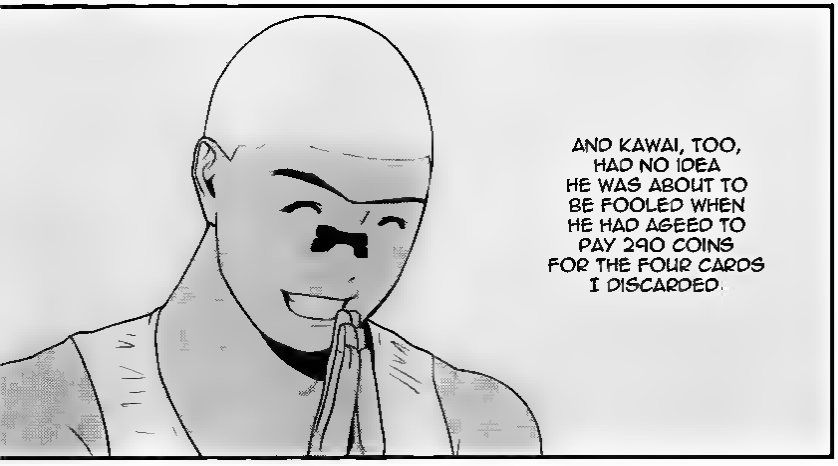
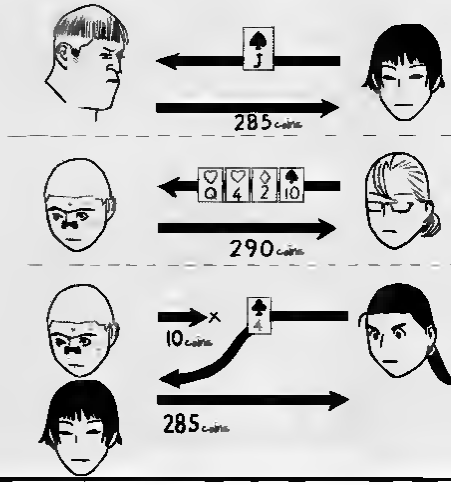
AND THEN WE WERE TO TAKE MEASURES TO ENSURE THERE WOULD BE AS MANY PLAYERS WITHOUT PLACEMENT AS POSSIBLE.



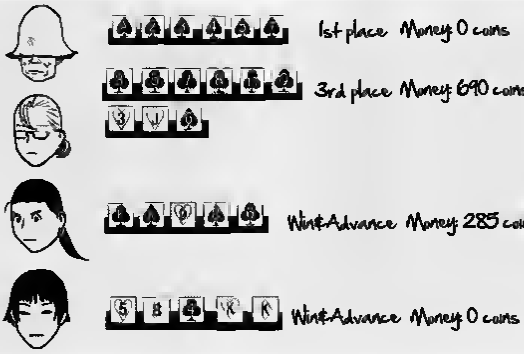
AS A RESULT, IN THE 4TH ROUND OF THE CHANGE SESSION, NONE OF THEM IMPROVED THEIR HANDS
USING KAWAI, 1,000-YEAR OLD [ONE] KEPT PREVENTING THE OTHER PLAYERS FROM COOPERATING WITH ONE ANOTHER


OUR PLAN WAS GOING WELL! TANINAKA AGREED TO BUY ♠J FROM 1,000 YEAR OLD ONE FOR 285 COINS...


AND KAWAI, TOO, HAD NO IDEA HE WAS ABOUT TO BE FOOLED WHEN HE HAD AGEED TO PAY 290 COINS FOR THE FOUR CARDS I DISCARDED.



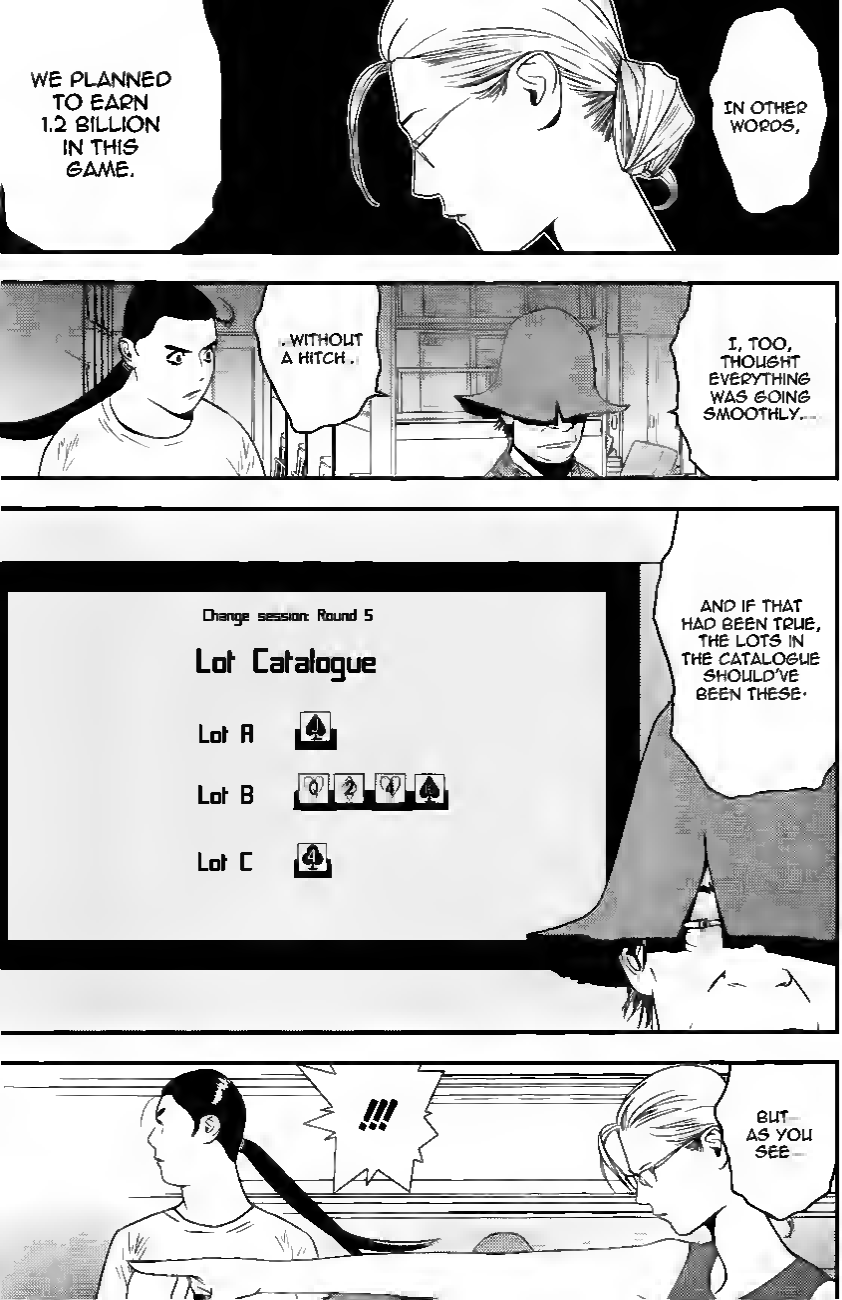

SO WE EXPECTED A DEVELOPMENT LIKE THIS:




THAT IS, JUST BEFORE THE END OF THE LAST ROUND OF THE CHANGE SESSION, OUR SITUATION WAS SUPPOSED TO BE AS FOLLOWS:

500mil (own 0 + bonus 600mil – return 100mil)
650mil (own 690 + bonus 60mil – return 100mil)
185mil (own 285 – return 100mil)
-100mil (own 0 – return 100mil)

AFTER SUBSTRACTING THE RETURN OF 100 MILLION EACH PLAYER HAS TO PAY BACK TO THE LST OFFICE, AND ADDING BONUSES FOR 6 PIGS, OUR BALANCE WAS SUPPOSED TO BE LIKE THIS:


WE PLANNED TO EARN 1.2 BILLION IN THIS GAME.
IN OTHER WORDS,
...WITHOUT A HITCH...
I, TOO, THOUGHT EVERYTHING WAS GOING SMOOTHLY...
Change session: Round 5
Lot Catalogue
Lot A
Lot B
Lot C
AND IF THAT HAD BEEN TRUE, THE LOTS IN THE CATALOGUE SHOULD'VE BEEN THESE.
!!!
BUT... AS YOU SEE...

Change session| Round 5

## Lot Catalogue

Lot A

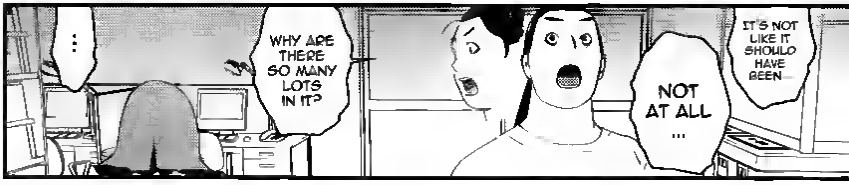
Lot B

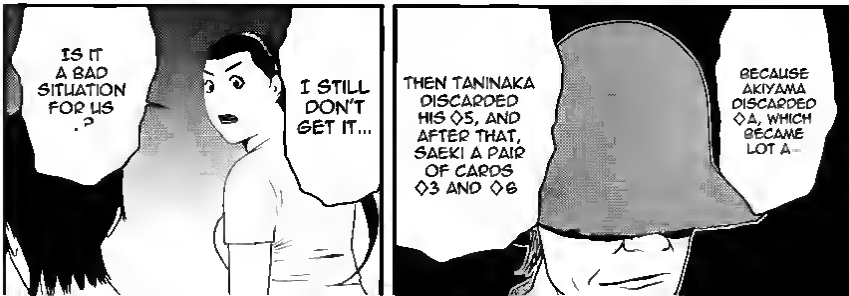
Lot C

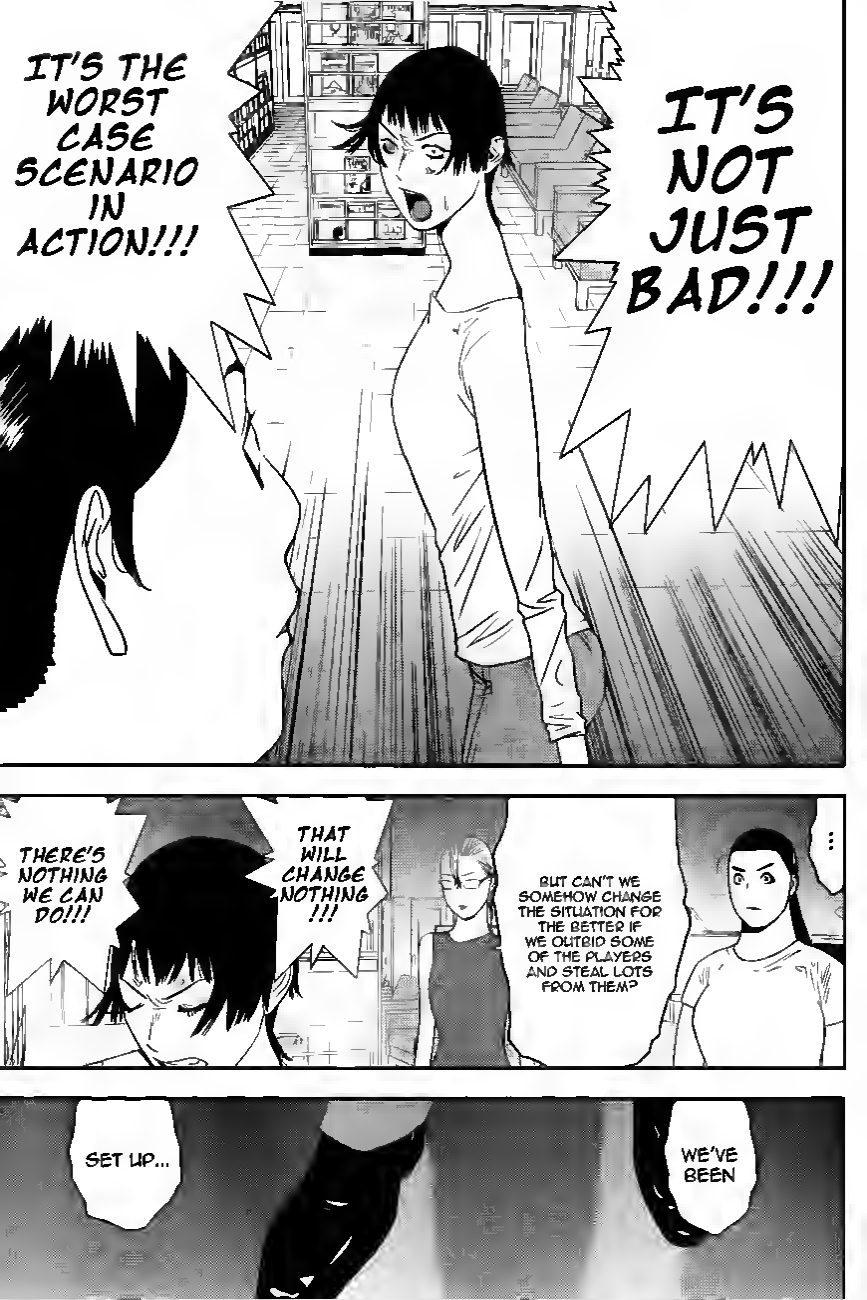
Lot D

Lot E

Lot F





IS IT A BAD SITUATION FOR US.?
I STILL DON'T GET IT...
THEN TANINAKA DISCARDED HIS ◇5, AND AFTER THAT, SAEKI A PAIR OF CARDS ◇3 AND ◇6
BECAUSE AKIYAMA DISCARDED ◇A, WHICH BECAME LOT A


IT'S THE WORST CASE SCENARIO IN ACTION!!!
IT'S NOT JUST BAD!!!
THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO!!!
THAT WILL CHANGE NOTHING !!!
BUT CAN'T WE SOMEHOW CHANGE THE SITUATION FOR THE BETTER IF WE OUTBID SOME OF THE PLAYERS AND STEAL LOTS FROM THEM?
...
SET UP...
WE'VE BEEN

...BY AKIYAMA.

EH?!

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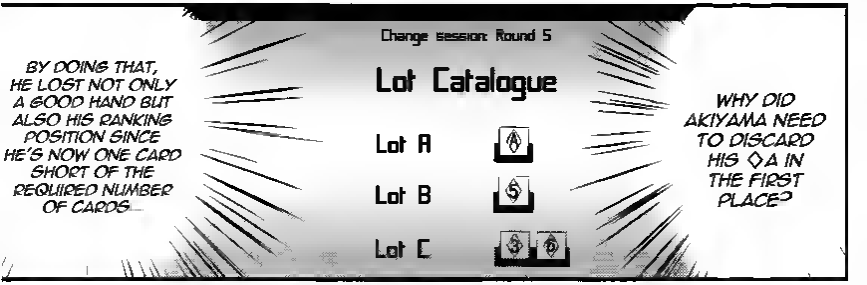
AND WE ARE STARTING WITH LOT A!
LET US MOVE ON TO BIDDING, THEN!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING ON AT ALL.
ARE THINGS REALLY SO BAD FOR US...?


Change session: Round 5
Lot Catalogue
Lot A
Lot B
Lot C
BY DOING THAT, HE LOST NOT ONLY A GOOD HAND BUT ALSO HIS RANKING POSITION SINCE HE'S NOW ONE CARD SHORT OF THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF CARDS...
WHY DID AKIYAMA NEED TO DISCARD HIS ◇A IN THE FIRST PLACE?

I TOLD YOU ALREADY, IT'S USE-LESS!!!
LET'S OUTBID THEM! IF WE SEIZE THAT ◇A, AKIYAMA WON'T GET RANKED!

EVEN IF WE DO IT, IT WILL CHANGE NOTHING
...
THE BIDDING PERIOD FOR LOT A IS OVER!
Change session Round 5
Lot A: bidding OVER
Change session Round 5
Lot A Bidders:
...
ATTENTION TO THE FRONT MONITOR PLEASE!
WE WILL NOW REVEAL THE BIDDERS AND THE WINNER OF THIS LOT.

Change session: Round 5

Lot A Bidders:

Taninaka Kouichi 332 gold coins

Winner:

Taninaka Kouichi

I GET IT!!!
AH!
OH, LOOKS LIKE EVEN SOMEONE AS DENSE AS YOU HAS FINALLY UNDERSTOOD...
...
NEXT, THE BIDDING PERIOD FOR LOT B WILL OPEN!
THINGS LOOK FOR US.
...JUST HOW GRIM
ALLOW ME TO ANNOUNCE THE BIDDERS AND THE WINNER OF LOT B.
...
THE TIME IS UP.
YES. EVERYTHING WAS PART OF AKIYAMA-SAN'S PLAN

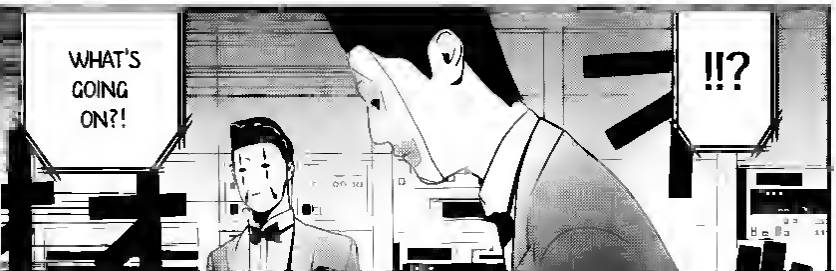
Change session: Round 5

Lot B Bidders:

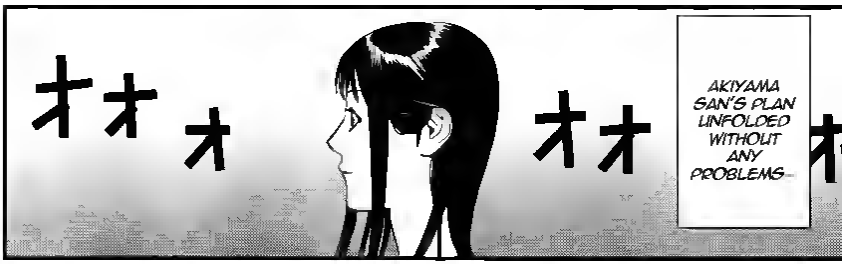
Akiyama Shin'ichi 401 gold coins

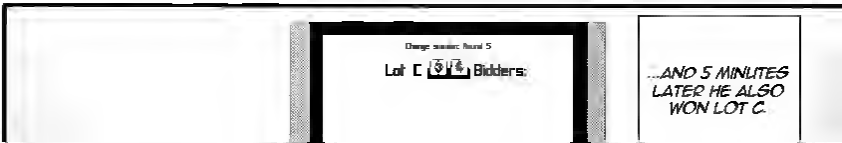
Winner:

Akiyama Shin'ichi

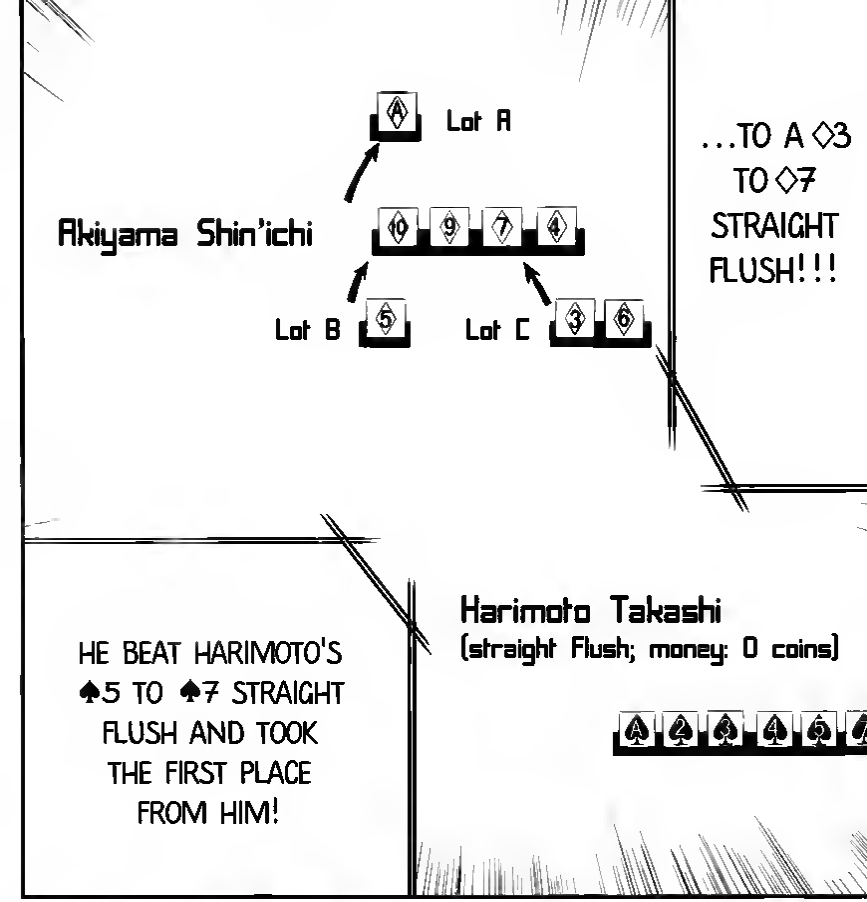


NOW, THIS'S JUST BIZZARE! WHY ON EARTH ARE *THEY* CELEBRATING HIS WINNING THE LOT?!


AKIYAMA SAN'S PLAN UNFOLDED WITHOUT ANY PROBLEMS~

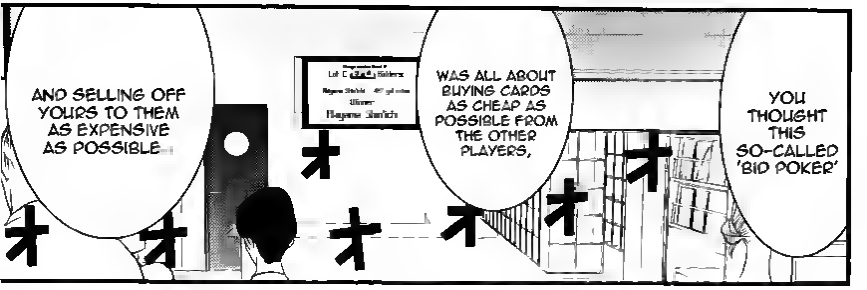

Change session: Round 5
Lot C 5/4 Bidders:
...AND 5 MINUTES LATER HE ALSO WON LOT C.

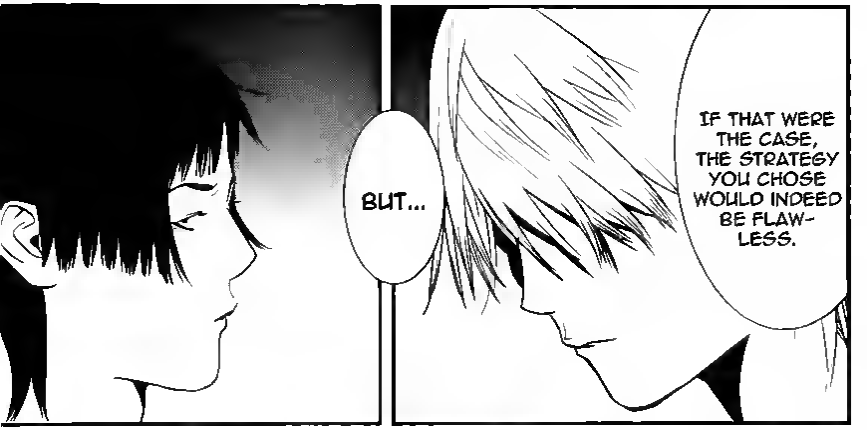
Change session: Round 5
Lot C 36 Bidders:
Akiyama Shin'ichi 427 gold coins
Winner:
Akiyama Shin'ichi
YAAY!!!
LOT C WINNER IS AKIYAMA-SAN!!!
AKIYAMA'S HAND HAS JUST IMPROVED...
AH! THAT'S WHAT THIS IS ABOUT!

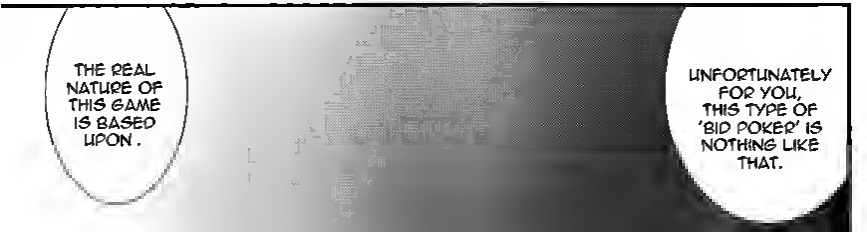

Lot A
Akiyama Shin'ichi
Lot B
Lot C
...TO A ◇3 TO ◇7 STRAIGHT FLUSH!!!
HE BEAT HARIMOTO'S ♠5 TO ♠7 STRAIGHT FLUSH AND TOOK THE FIRST PLACE FROM HIM!
Harimoto Takashi
(straight Flush; money: 0 coins)

AND IN ORDER TO PULL IT OFF HE LAY LOW UNTIL NOW...
THAT'S WHAT HE WANTED TO ACCOMPLISH, HUH...

YOU OVERLOOKED THE TRUE POINT OF THIS GAME
KIMURA
...


AND SELLING OFF YOURS TO THEM AS EXPENSIVE AS POSSIBLE
WAS ALL ABOUT BUYING CARDS AS CHEAP AS POSSIBLE FROM THE OTHER PLAYERS,
YOU THOUGHT THIS SO-CALLED 'BID POKER'


BUT...
IF THAT WERE THE CASE, THE STRATEGY YOU CHOSE WOULD INDEED BE FLAW-LESS.


THE REAL NATURE OF THIS GAME IS BASED UPON .
UNFORTUNATELY FOR YOU, THIS TYPE OF 'BID POKER' IS NOTHING LIKE THAT.

...MAJO-
RITY
RULE,
YOU
SEE.
THE DETAILS OF AKIYAMA'S PLAN REVEALED!

謹賀新年
She's been tricked, deceived, duped, swindled time and time again.
And she will keep being fooled, no doubt
And yet, she won't falter in her beliefs.
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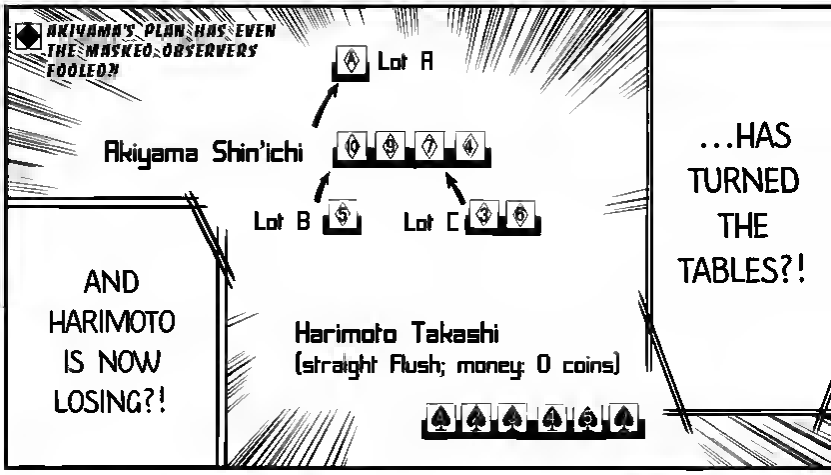
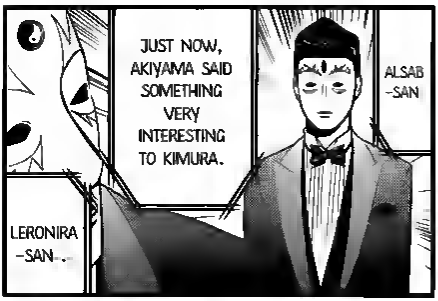
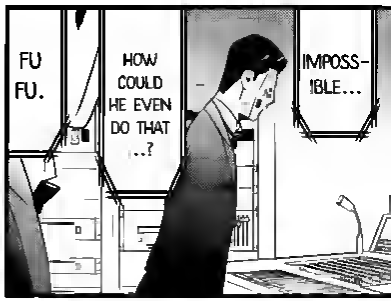
AKI-
YAMA...
WHA
AAT?!
!!?

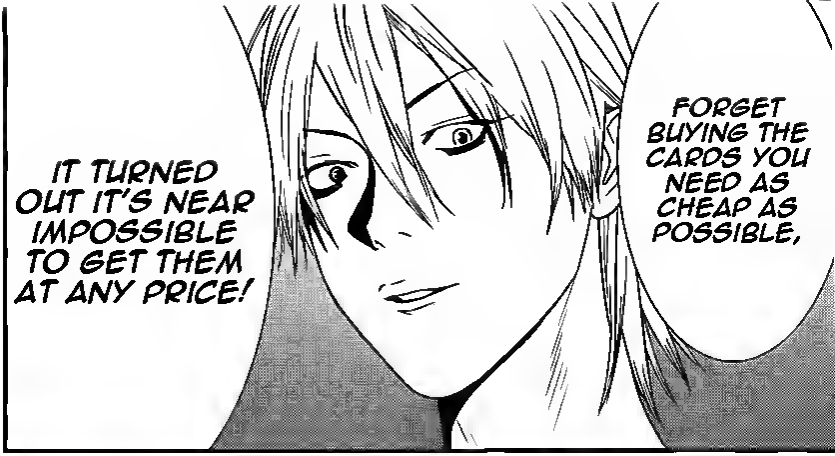

AKIYAMA'S PLAN HAS EVEN THE MASKED OBSERVERS FOOLED!
Lot A
Akiyama Shin'ichi
Lot B
Lot C
...HAS TURNED THE TABLES?!
AND HARIMOTO IS NOW LOSING?!
Harimoto Takashi
(straight flush; money: 0 coins)


JUST NOW, AKIYAMA SAID SOMETHING VERY INTERESTING TO KIMURA.
ALSAB -SAN
LERONIRA -SAN..


FU FU.
HOW COULD HE EVEN DO THAT ..?
IMPOSS-IBLE...

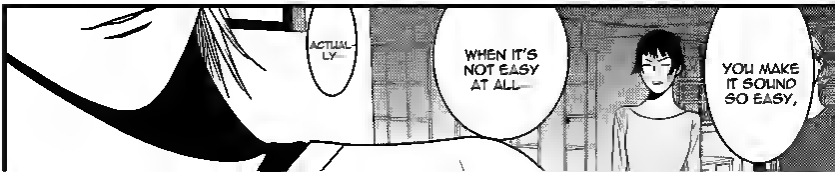
HE SAID KIMURA MISSED THE TRUE POINT OF THIS GAME...

...A MAJORITY RULE GAME.
...AND THIS BID POKER IN REALITY IS...
.....
AT A GLANCE IT MIGHT SEEM THAT THIS IS WHAT THIS GAME IS ALL ABOUT HOWEVER
Bidders
Winner:
Akiyama Shin'ichi
BUYING THE CARDS YOU NEED AS CHEAP AS POSSIBLE AND SELLING THE ONES YOU DON'T AS EXPENSIVE AS POSSIBLE WILL LAND YOU VICTORY...
YEAH
MAJORITY RULE...?
WHAT HAD BECOME CLEAR IS THIS
ONCE THE GAME STARTED, THIS IDEA WAS IMMEDIATELY PROVEN WRONG


FORGET BUYING THE CARDS YOU NEED AS CHEAP AS POSSIBLE,
IT TURNED OUT IT'S NEAR IMPOSSIBLE TO GET THEM AT ANY PRICE!

BECAUSE THERE IS ALWAYS A CHANCE SOMEONE MIGHT OUTBID YOU AND STEAL THEM FROM YOU, YOU MEAN?
PRECI-SELY
STILL, ON THE OTHER HAND, THAT ALSO MEANS

...IF A SUREFIRE WAY TO GET THE NEEDED CARDS EVEN EXISTS,
THEN IT MUST LEAD STRAIGHT UP TO VICTORY.


YOU MAKE IT SOUND SO EASY,
WHEN IT'S NOT EASY AT ALL—
ACTUAL-LY—

THERE IS SUCH A WAY... THE ONLY ONE THAT CAN LET YOU GET THE CARDS YOU NEED.
THE SUREFIRE WAY TO WIN!
!?
AND WHAT'S THAT SUREFIRE WAY TO WIN?!
FU FU.
IT'S AN EASY ONE
YOU NEED TO TEAM UP WITH THE PLAYER WHO HAS THE MOST COINS AT THEIR DISPOSAL,
IS ALL.
?
?
THOSE LOOKS YOU'RE GIVING ME SAY YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION THAT'D BE EASIER TO UNDERSTAND, EH

| | Cards | Coins |
|---|---|---|
| A | 5 | 200 |
| B | 5 | 200 |
| C | 5 | 200 |
| D | 6 | 200 |
| E | 5 | 100 |
| F | 5 | 100 |
| G | 5 | 100 |
| H | 6 | 100 |
| I | 0 | 300 |
| J | 5 | 300 |
| K | 5 | 400 |

SO, IF PLAYER K, WHO HAS THE MOST COINS, JOINS FORCES WITH PLAYER J, THE SECOND RICHEST AMONG THE PLAYERS, THE TWO OF THEM CAN WIN.


| | Cards | Coins |
|---|---|---|
| A | 5 | 200 |
| B | 5 | 200 |
| C | 5 | 200 |
| D | 6 | 200 |
| E | 5 | 100 |
| F | 5 | 100 |
| G | 5 | 100 |
| H | 6 | 100 |
| I | 0 | 300 |
| J | 5 | 300 |
| K | 5 | 400 |


LET'S SAY, THERE'RE 11 PLAYERS WHO ARE LABELLED A THROUGH K, AND CARDS AND COINS ARE DISTRIBUTED BETWEEN THEM

AS SUCH:

BID ALL THE COINS IN THEIR POSSESSION ON THE CARDS ONE OF THEM DISCARDS FOR THE OTHER.

ALL THEY HAVE TO DO IS

!!

Here, for you.

Thanks!

400 coins

We can do nothing.

THE REST OF THE PLAYERS SIMPLY WON'T HAVE FINANCIAL MEANS TO INTERFERE WITH THEM.

THIS METHOD WOULD ALLOW TEAM J&K TO WIN, BUT IT DOESN'T GUARANTEE THEM THE FIRST PLACE.

THERE IS A CATCH, THOUGH.

WHAT I MEAN BY THAT IS...

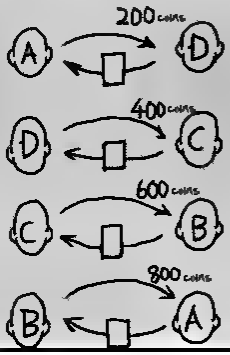
| | Cards | Coins |
|---|---|---|
| A | 5 | 200 |
| B | 5 | 200 |
| C | 5 | 200 |
| D | 6 | 200 |
| E | 6 | 100 |
| F | 6 | 100 |
| G | 6 | 100 |
| H | 6 | 100 |
| I | 0 | 300 |
| J | 5 | 300 |
| K | 5 | 400 |

...IF PLAYERS A, B, C AND D, WHO HAVE 200 COINS EACH, DECIDE TO JOIN SIDES, THEY WILL PREVAIL.

AND THE REASON IS...

TEAM J&K CAN ONLY OPERATE 700 COINS AT MOST, SO THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO DO ANYTHING TO PREVENT THE EXCHANGE WITHIN TEAM A&B&C&D

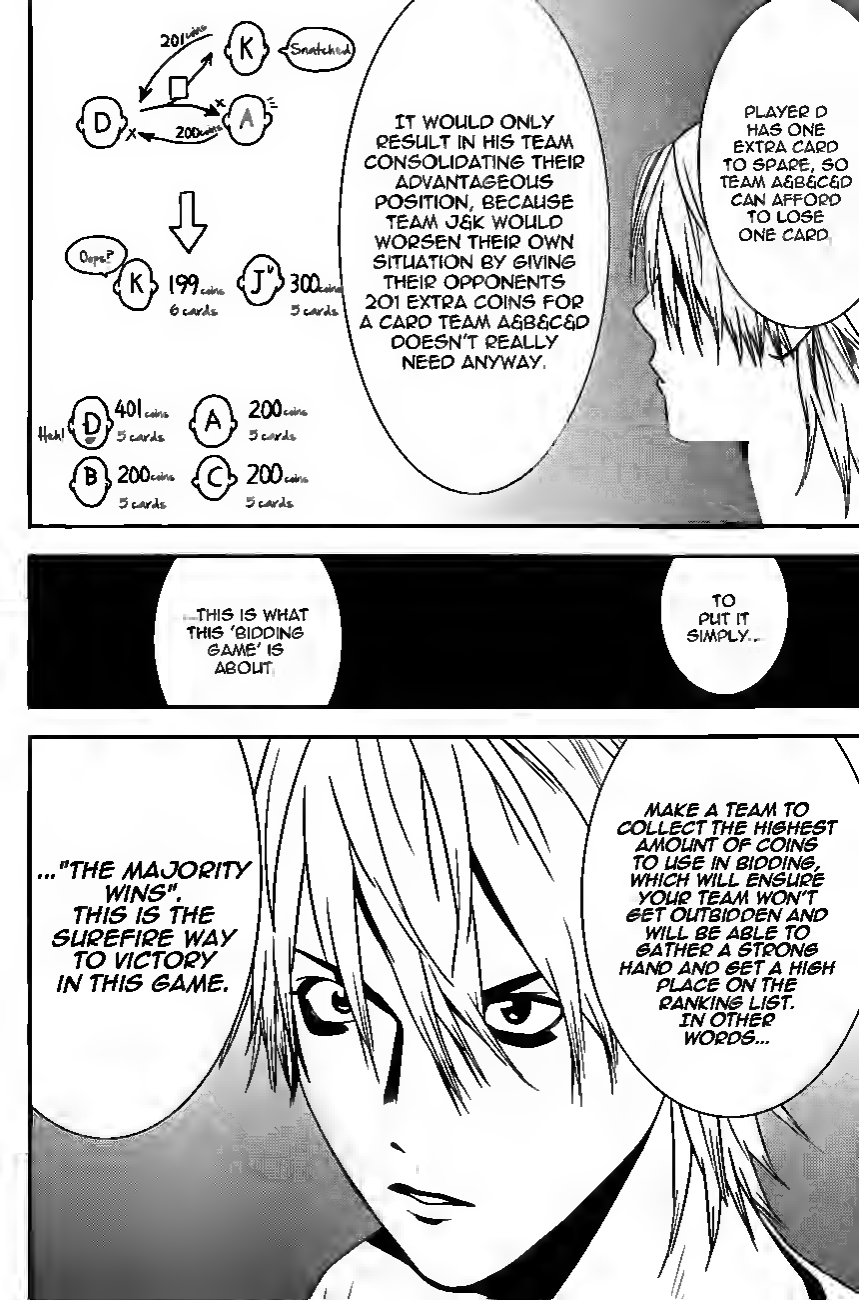
THEIR COLLECTIVE BID MONEY CAN AMOUNT TO 800 COINS IN TOTAL.




YES, BUT IT'S NOT THE END OF THE WORLD FOR THEM.

DOESN'T THAT MAKE THEM VULNERABLE TO TEAM J&K SNATCHING THEIR CARDS?

WAIT A SECOND. THE STARTING BID FOR TEAM A&B&C&D CAN'T BE MORE THAN 200 COINS


201 coins
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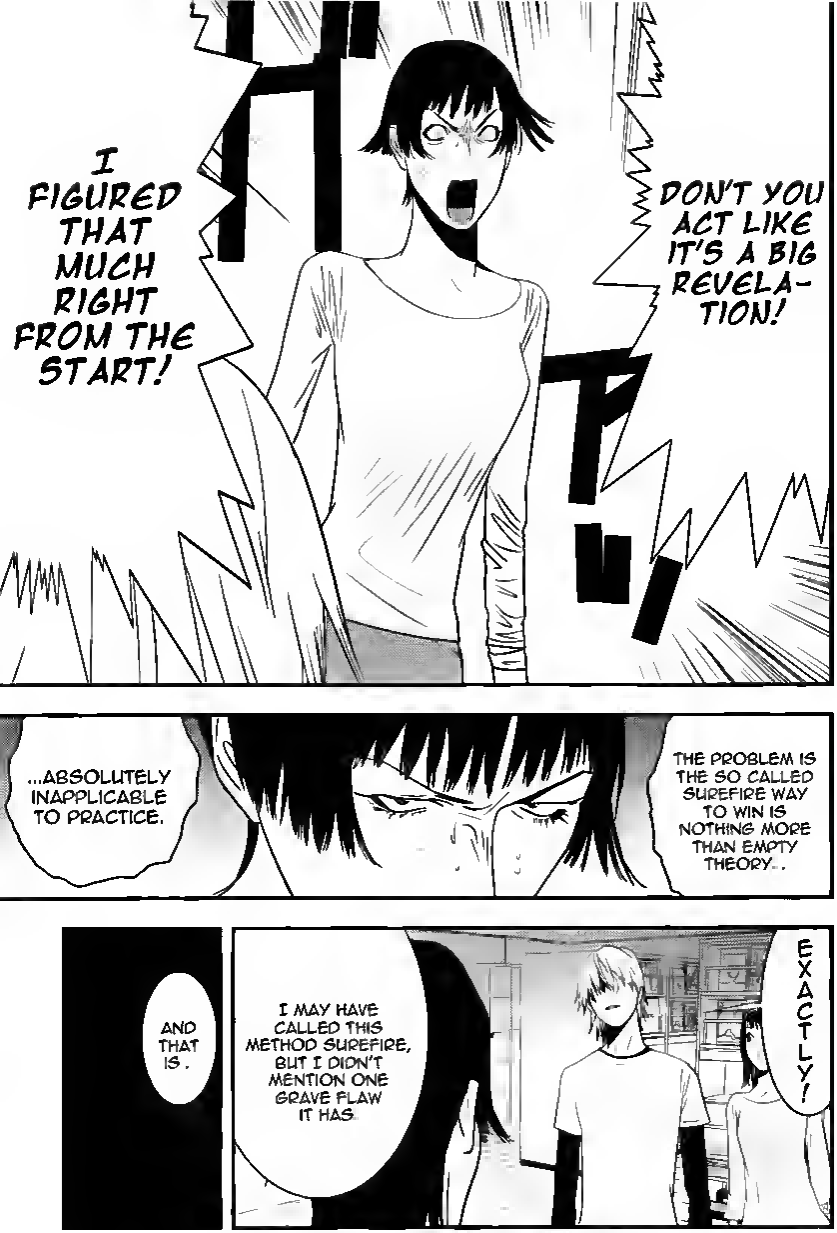
IT WOULD ONLY RESULT IN HIS TEAM CONSOLIDATING THEIR ADVANTAGEOUS POSITION, BECAUSE TEAM J&K WOULD WORSEN THEIR OWN SITUATION BY GIVING THEIR OPPONENTS 201 EXTRA COINS FOR A CARD TEAM A&B&C&D DOESN'T REALLY NEED ANYWAY.
PLAYER D HAS ONE EXTRA CARD TO SPARE, SO TEAM A&B&C&D CAN AFFORD TO LOSE ONE CARD.
...THIS IS WHAT THIS 'BIDDING GAME' IS ABOUT.
TO PUT IT SIMPLY...
...."THE MAJORITY WINS". THIS IS THE SUREFIRE WAY TO VICTORY IN THIS GAME.
MAKE A TEAM TO COLLECT THE HIGHEST AMOUNT OF COINS TO USE IN BIDDING, WHICH WILL ENSURE YOUR TEAM WON'T GET OUTBIDDEN AND WILL BE ABLE TO GATHER A STRONG HAND AND GET A HIGH PLACE ON THE RANKING LIST. IN OTHER WORDS...

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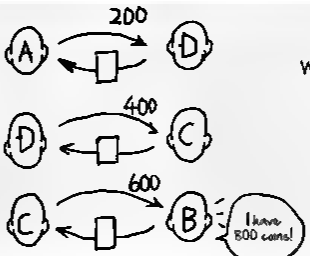
...IF THE PLAYER IN POSSESSION OF THE COLLECTIVE MONEY WERE TO BETRAY THE AGREEMENT, THE REST OF THE PLAYERS INVOLVED WOULD END UP SUFFERING HEAVY LOSSES.

THAT IS, THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT HE MIGHT DECIDE TO BETRAY THE TEAM AND MAKE OFF WITH 800 COINS.




IN MY EXAMPLE WITH TEAM A&B&C&D, AFTER ALL THE ITERATIONS, PLAYER B ON HIS TURN ENDS UP WITH ALL THE TEAM'S MONEY.

HE'LL HAVE 800 COINS, OR 800 MILLION, AND AFTER PAYING THE 150 MILLION PENALTY, THERE'LL STILL BE 550 MILLION LEFT. IT SHOULD BE ENOUGH TO PAY OFF THE DEBTS HE COLLECTED IN THE PREVIOUS ROUNDS AND SAFELY DROP OUT OF THE GAME.

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|---|---|
| Total money 800 coins | = 800 million |
| Last place penalty | -150 million |
| LGT return | -100 million |
| Left | 550 million |

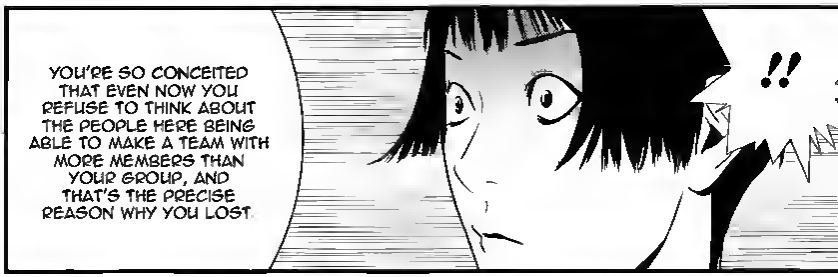
OF COURSE, IF HE DOES, HE MIGHT STAY IN THE LAST PLACE AND LOSE, BUT TO HIM, IT WON'T REALLY MATTER.

THAT'S THE BEST WAY OUT, AFTER ALL.

ANYONE IN PLAYER B'S SHOES WOULD CHOOSE BETRAYAL.

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO PUT TO PRACTICE! IT'S NOTHING BUT FUTILE DREAMS!
AND THAT'S WHY THAT SUREFIRE WAY TO WIN YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT ISN'T SUREFIRE AT ALL!
WE'RE TIGHTLY BOUND BY THE BONDS OF 'FAITH', AND THIS IS THE REASON WE WON'T BETRAY EACH OTHER.
BECAUSE WE'RE DIFFERENT FROM YOU!
THE ONLY ONES WHO CAN MAKE USE OF THAT WAY ARE US ALONE
AND FOUR PEOPLE IS MORE THAN ENOUGH! NONE OF YOU CAN TEAM UP AND MAKE A MAJORITY TO TOPPLE OUR TEAM OF FOUR ANYWAY.
THAT'S WHY THE FOUR OF US COULD EXECUTE A CHOSEN STRATEGY AS A TEAM.
OH, YEAH
SELFISH, DISHONEST TRASH WHO CAN'T PUT TRUST IN ANYONE EXCEPT YOURSELVES.
BECAUSE YOU ALL ARE JUST FAILURES –

THAT'S WHERE YOU WENT WRONG.
THAT WAY OF THINKING IS WHAT BECAME YOUR UNDOING.


YOU'RE SO CONCEITED THAT EVEN NOW YOU REFUSE TO THINK ABOUT THE PEOPLE HERE BEING ABLE TO MAKE A TEAM WITH MORE MEMBERS THAN YOUR GROUP, AND THAT'S THE PRECISE REASON WHY YOU LOST.
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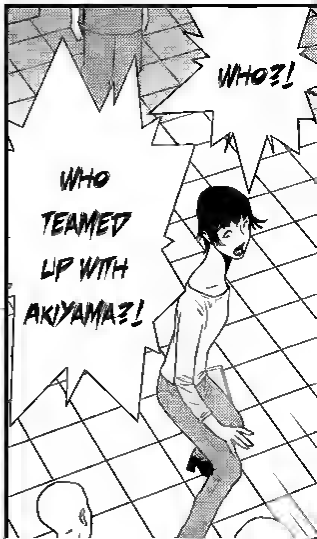
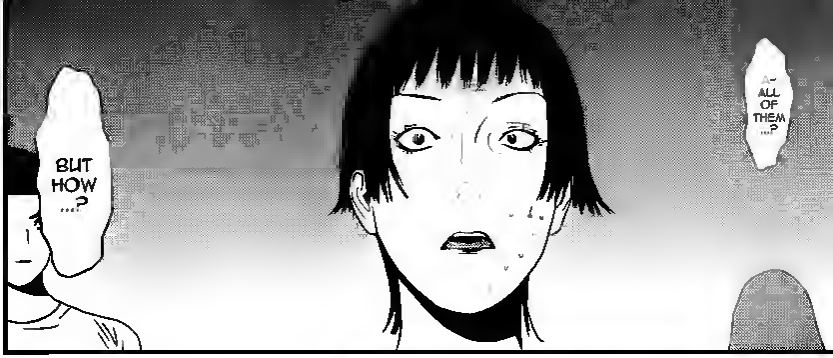
TANINAKA DISCARDED HIS CARD FOR AKIYAMA.
AND SAEKI, TOO.

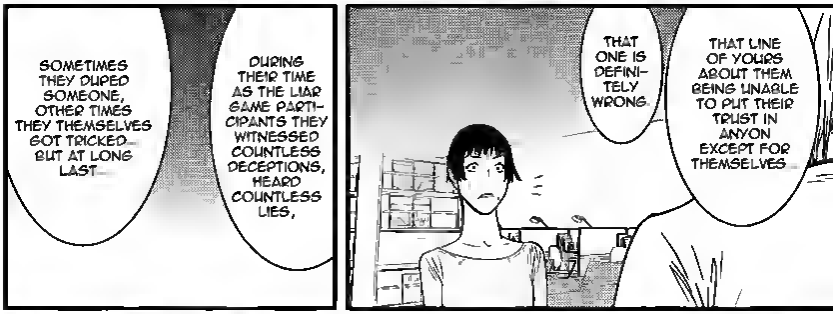

WHO?!
WHO TEAMED UP WITH AKIYAMA?!

FLIP.
THERE SHOULD BE MORE! WHO ELSE?!

ALL THE PLAYERS HERE, EXCLUDING THE MEMBERS OF YOUR GROUP, TEAMED UP.
ALL OF THEM.
Winner
Akiyama Shin ichi


A~ ALL OF THEM...?
BUT HOW...?

LIKE YOU SAID, THE PEOPLE HERE
MAY BE SELFISH, DISHONEST FAILURES,
BUT...
GOOD-FOR-NOTHING TRASH...


THAT LINE OF YOURS ABOUT THEM BEING UNABLE TO PUT THEIR TRUST IN ANYON EXCEPT FOR THEMSELVES...
THAT ONE IS DEFINI-TELY WRONG.
DURING THEIR TIME AS THE LIAR GAME PARTI-CIPANTS THEY WITNESSED COUNTLESS DECEPTIONS, HEARD COUNTLESS LIES,
SOMETIMES THEY DUPED SOMEONE, OTHER TIMES THEY THEMSELVES GOT TRICKED... BUT AT LONG LAST...

...THEY FOUND IT.
THE ONLY EXISTENCE THEY CAN TRUST WHOLE-HEARTEDLY
!!

THEY COULD TEAM UP AND WORK TOGETHER
BECAUSE OF EXISTENCE OF ONE KANZAKI NAO.

I'M SURE THE MEMBERS OF YOUR GROUP ALSO NOTICED THAT ALL KANZAKI NAO DOES ONCE SHE OPENS HER MOUTH
...
IS SPEW PRETTY WORDS LIKE, 'LET'S ALL COOPERATE' OR 'LET'S FIND A WAY TO SAVE EVERYONE' AND THE LIKE.
...
THAT'S THE REASON WHY SHE ALWAYS GETS USED, ABUSED, DUPED AND TRICKED...
BUT EVEN AFTER ALL THAT
...SHE NEVER ONCE TRIED TO ENTRAP SOMEONE.

THE MEMBERS PRESENT HERE PARTICIPATED IN THE SAME GAMES AS HER SINCE THE PANDEMIC GAME,
WHICH MAKES IT 3 GAMES NOW. THE PANDEMIC GAME, THE STEAL-A-CHAIR GAME AND TODAY'S BID POKER GAME
SHE'S BEEN THROUGH MANY ROUNDS OF THE LIAR GAME ALREADY...
AND IN ALL OF THEM SHE'S BEEN FOOLED TIME AND TIME AGAIN
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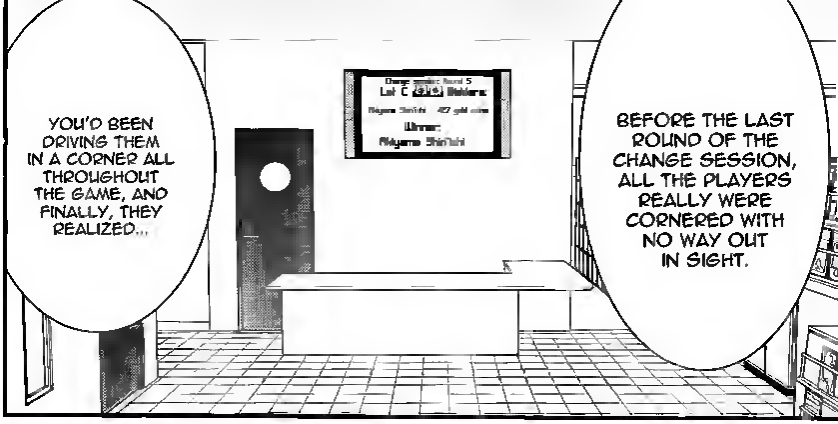
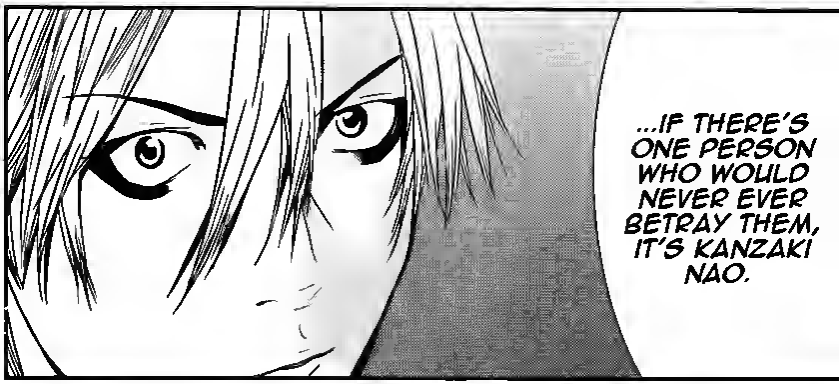
REGARDLESS OF THE CONTENTS OF THE GAME.
AND YET, NEVER ONCE DID SHE TRY
TO GET BACK AT THOSE WHO DECEIVED HER


YOU'D BEEN DRIVING THEM IN A CORNER ALL THROUGHOUT THE GAME, AND FINALLY, THEY REALIZED...
BEFORE THE LAST ROUND OF THE CHANGE SESSION, ALL THE PLAYERS REALLY WERE CORNERED WITH NO WAY OUT IN SIGHT.


...IF THERE'S ONE PERSON WHO WOULD NEVER EVER BETRAY THEM, IT'S KANZAKI NAO.

...
NOT EVEN YOUR BONDS OF STEEL COULD STAND UP TO THEM.
AND ONCE THEY DID.
THEIR WILL IS THE SECRET BEHIND THE DEFEAT OF THE SEASONED MASTERMIND THAT MADE DEVICING THE SUPERIOR PLAN POSSIBLE!
NEXT TIME, A BREAK. TBC IN YJWB (V24).
END/LIAR GAME

Chapter 167
Flipside

# LIAR GAME
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LIAR GAME 第1巻&
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ライアーゲーム 再生リボーン
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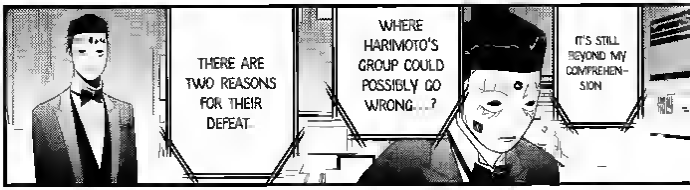
The masked observers reveal all the tricks behind Akiyama's plan.
FOR HARIMOTO'S GROUP TO LOSE AFTER BEING IN THE LEAD...
IT SEEMS IMPOSSIBLE...

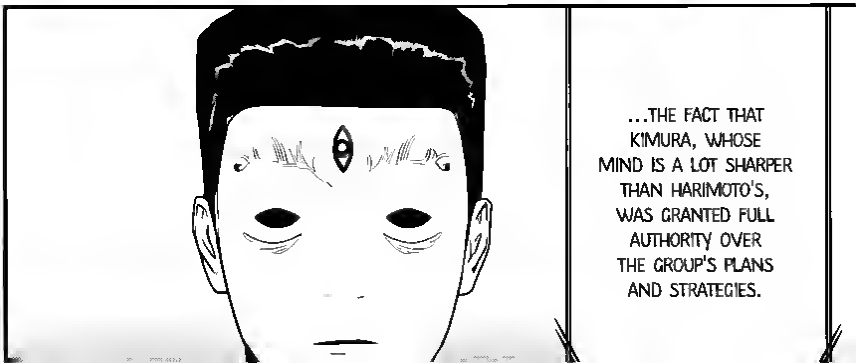
!?
HE ASKED FOR THE PLAYERS' COOPERATION, PROMISING THAT IN CASE HE TAKES THE FIRST PLACE, HE'LL SHARE THE REWARD MONEY WITH ALL OF THEM LETTING THEM DROP OUT OF THE GAME SAFELY.
AKIYAMA MADE PREPA-RATIONS IN SECRET.
THE DETAILS OF THE FINELY DEVISED PLAN ARE REVEALED!

...WERE AKIYAMA AND KANZAKI NAO.
AND THE ONES WHO MADE IT HAPPEN...

FUFUFU... BUT THAT'S PRECISELY WHAT HAPPENED
AND THOSE LOSERS ACTUALLY BELIEVED HIM...? AND EVEN TEAMED UP...? I FIND IT VERY HARD TO BELIEVE...

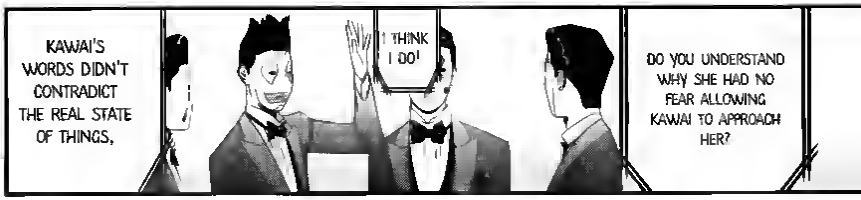
THE FIRST ONE IS


THERE ARE TWO REASONS FOR THEIR DEFEAT.
WHERE HARIMOTO'S GROUP COULD POSSIBLY GO WRONG...?
IT'S STILL BEYOND MY COMPREHEN-SION


...THE FACT THAT KIMURA, WHOSE MIND IS A LOT SHARPER THAN HARIMOTO'S, WAS GRANTED FULL AUTHORITY OVER THE GROUP'S PLANS AND STRATEGIES.

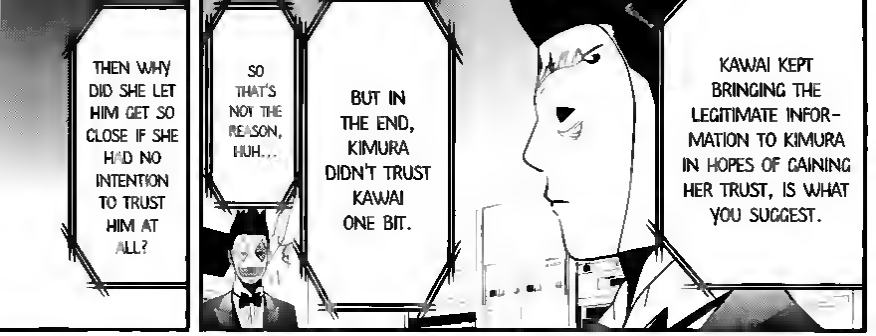
NO, NOT ALWAYS.
BUT ISN'T IT ALWAYS BETTER TO LET THE SMARTER ONES COME UP WITH PLANS AND STRATEGIES?
!?
HE HIMSELF HAS A BRILLIANT MIND, WHICH MAKES IT EASY FOR HIM TO DECIFER ANY LOGICAL STRATEGY KIMURA CAN COME UP WITH.
BUT AKIYAMA'S CASE IS DIFFERENT.
IN CASE OF NORMAL AVERAGE PEOPLE, I'M SURE KIMURA IS A MORE DIFFICULT OPPONENT FOR THEM.
AH, YES AS I RECALL, HE GOT ANGRY AT AKIYAMA FOR NOT TAKING ANY MEASURES AND DEFECTED TO HARIMOTO'S GROUP TO SEEK HELP FROM THEM.
REPLAY
REPLAY
TAKE A LOOK AT THESE VIDEOS WITH KAWAI FROM THE END STAGES OF THE GAME
YES AND THAT'S WHERE SHE MADE HER FIRST MISTAKE BEING APPROACHED BY KAWAI AN AVERAGE PERSON, NOT BURDENED WITH SUCH A SHARP MIND, NATURALLY WILL BE SUSPICIOUS AND DRIVE HIM AWAY
KIMURA FELL FOR IT COMPLE-TELY, DIDN'T SHE...
EEH?! ALL THAT WAS PART OF AKIYAMA'S PLAN?!
AND IT WAS AKIYAMA WHO ASKED HIM TO PUT UP THAT ACT AND THEN GO TO HARIMOTO'S GROUP.
THAT WAS JUST AN ACT ON HIS PART.

...HER OVERLY ANALYTICAL QUICK MIND.
BUT KIMURA DID THE OPPOSITE... ALL BECAUSE OF...

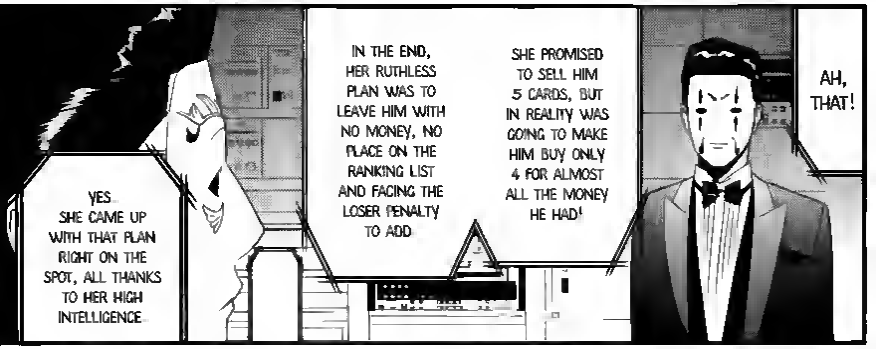

KAWAI'S WORDS DIDN'T CONTRADICT THE REAL STATE OF THINGS,
I THINK I DO!
DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHY SHE HAD NO FEAR ALLOWING KAWAI TO APPROACH HER?

AT THE TIME, TANINAKA AND SAEKI REALLY JOINED SIDES.
IT MUST BE IT I WATCHED IT UNFOLD, SO I KNOW
SO SHE JUDGED HIM TO BE SINCERE?

INDEED — KAWAI INFORMED KIMURA THAT YASUKAWA AND SHIMOHARADA WERE GOING TO DISCARD THEIR ♣7 AND ♣10, AND THEY REALLY DID — THE SAME WITH TANINAKA WHEN HE BID 71 GOINS, JUST LIKE KAWAI SAID
THAT IS, THERE WAS NO LIE IN KAWAI'S WORDS AT THAT POINT OR LATER
AND THE REST OF THE PLAYERS WERE STILL VERY FAR FROM GIVING THE IDEA OF ALL OF THEM TEAMING UP AN ACTUAL THOUGHT.


THEN WHY DID SHE LET HIM GET SO CLOSE IF SHE HAD NO INTENTION TO TRUST HIM AT ALL?
SO THAT'S NOT THE REASON, HUH...
BUT IN THE END, KIMURA DIDN'T TRUST KAWAI ONE BIT.
KAWAI KEPT BRINGING THE LEGITIMATE INFORMATION TO KIMURA IN HOPES OF GAINING HER TRUST, IS WHAT YOU SUGGEST.

YET COULD BRING HER IMMENSE GAIN.
BECAUSE SHE QUICKLY REALIZED THAT GOING ALONG WITH KAWAI'S PROPOSAL POSED NO RISK FOR HER GROUP,


YES. SHE CAME UP WITH THAT PLAN RIGHT ON THE SPOT, ALL THANKS TO HER HIGH INTELLIGENCE.
IN THE END, HER RUTHLESS PLAN WAS TO LEAVE HIM WITH NO MONEY, NO PLACE ON THE RANKING LIST AND FACING THE LOSER PENALTY TO ADD
SHE PROMISED TO SELL HIM 5 CARDS, BUT IN REALITY WAS GOING TO MAKE HIM BUY ONLY 4 FOR ALMOST ALL THE MONEY HE HAD!
AH, THAT!

SO YOU'RE TRYING TO SAY...
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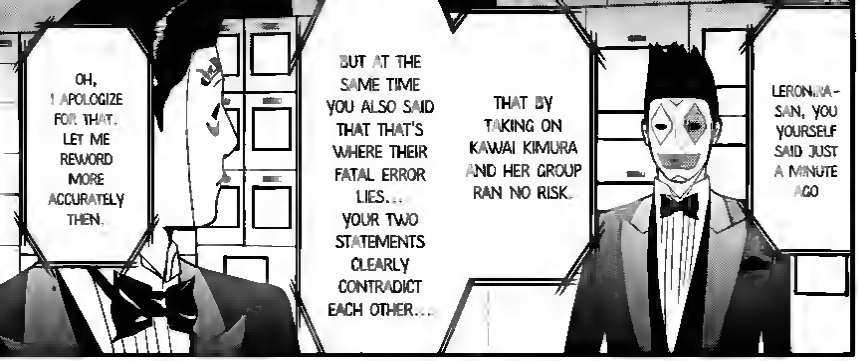
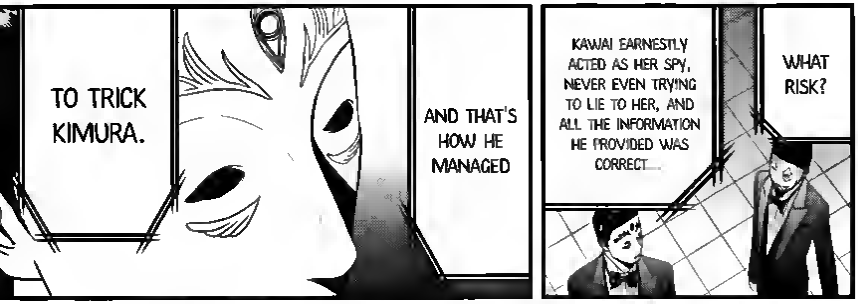
PRECISELY.
...THAT AKIYAMA EXPECTED HER TO DEVISE THAT KIND OF PLAN, AND THAT WAS THE REASON WHY HE SENT KAWAI TO HER, DELIBERATELY PRESENTING HER WITH AN EASY TARGET TO SWINDLE?

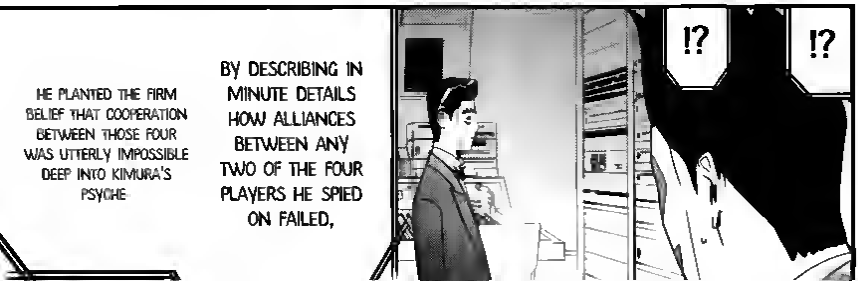
SO THE TWO MASTERMINDS, AKIYAMA AND KIMURA, NEVER HAD ANY INTENTION TO LET THINGS WORK OUT FOR TANINAKA, SAEKI, YASUKAWA AND SHIMOHARADA, NO MATTER WHAT KIND OF AGREEMENTS THE FOUR HAD MANAGED TO REACH AMONG THEMSELVES, HUH.
HOW CUNNING OR AS EXPECTED FROM AKIYAMA, I SHOULD SAY.

WAIT A MINUTE PLEASE.
DO YOU NOT FIND IT STRANGE?
...LETTING KAWAI CLOSE IS WHAT BECAME THE FATAL MISTAKE FOR KIMURA AND HER GROUP.
AND AKIYAMA SAW THAT AS A CHANCE TO UNITE EVERYBODY UNDER HIM.
KIMURA THOUGHT OF THEIR ATTEMPTS AS A CHANCE TO HOG MORE MONEY,
AND SO.


LERONIKA-SAN, YOU YOURSELF SAID JUST A MINUTE AGO
THAT BY TAKING ON KAWAI KIMURA AND HER GROUP RAN NO RISK.
BUT AT THE SAME TIME YOU ALSO SAID THAT THAT'S WHERE THEIR FATAL ERROR LIES... YOUR TWO STATEMENTS CLEARLY CONTRADICT EACH OTHER...
OH, I APOLOGIZE FOR THAT. LET ME REWORD MORE ACCURATELY THEN.

KIMURA WAS 'UNDER IMPRESSION' THAT LETTING KAWAI CLOSE WOULD POSE NO RISKS FOR HER AND HER GROUP.
SHE SIMPLY DID NOT REALIZE THE VERY REAL RISK THAT CAME WITH TAKING ON KAWAI.


WHAT RISK?
KAWAI EARNESTLY ACTED AS HER SPY, NEVER EVEN TRYING TO LIE TO HER, AND ALL THE INFORMATION HE PROVIDED WAS CORRECT...
AND THAT'S HOW HE MANAGED
TO TRICK KIMURA.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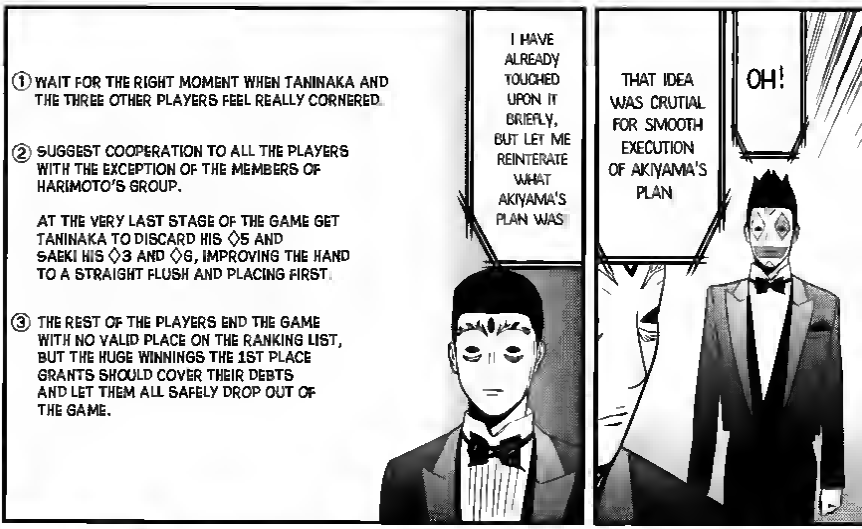
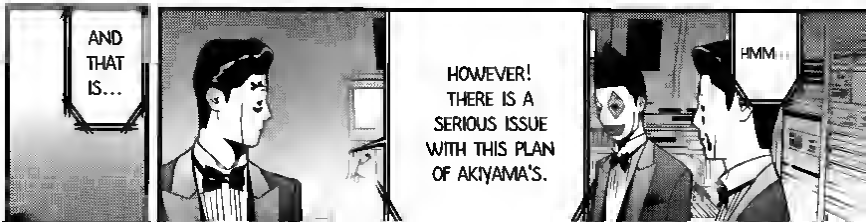
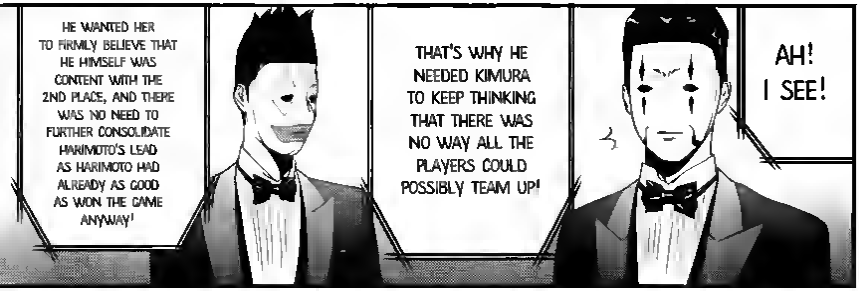
BY DESCRIBING IN MINUTE DETAILS HOW ALLIANCES BETWEEN ANY TWO OF THE FOUR PLAYERS HE SPIED ON FAILED,
HE PLANTED THE FIRM BELIEF THAT COOPERATION BETWEEN THOSE FOUR WAS UTTERLY IMPOSSIBLE DEEP INTO KIMURA'S PSYCHE

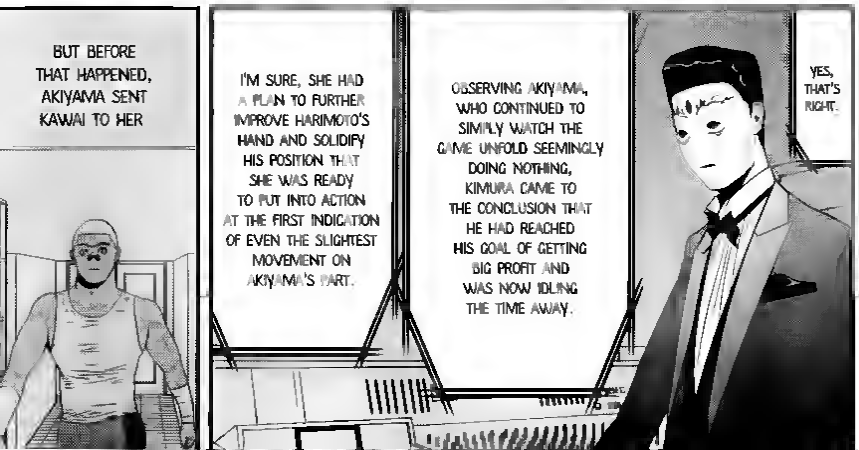
AND, OBEDIENTLY, SHE THOUGHT, "IF EVEN TWO OF THEM CAN'T WORK OUT THEIR DIFFERENCES AND COOPERATE, THERE IS NO WAY THEY CAN EVER JOIN FORCES AND FORM A LARGE GROUP".


① WAIT FOR THE RIGHT MOMENT WHEN TANINAKA AND THE THREE OTHER PLAYERS FEEL REALLY CORNERED.
② SUGGEST COOPERATION TO ALL THE PLAYERS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE MEMBERS OF HARIMOTO'S GROUP.
AT THE VERY LAST STAGE OF THE GAME GET TANINAKA TO DISCARD HIS ◇5 AND SAEKI HIS ◇3 AND ◇6, IMPROVING THE HAND TO A STRAIGHT FLUSH AND PLACING FIRST.
③ THE REST OF THE PLAYERS END THE GAME WITH NO VALID PLACE ON THE RANKING LIST, BUT THE HUGE WINNINGS THE 1ST PLACE GRANTS SHOULD COVER THEIR DEBTS AND LET THEM ALL SAFELY DROP OUT OF THE GAME.
I HAVE ALREADY TOUCHED UPON IT BRIEFLY, BUT LET ME REINTERATE WHAT AKIYAMA'S PLAN WAS!
THAT IDEA WAS CRUTIAL FOR SMOOTH EXECUTION OF AKIYAMA'S PLAN
OH!


AND THAT IS...
HOWEVER! THERE IS A SERIOUS ISSUE WITH THIS PLAN OF AKIYAMA'S.
HMM...

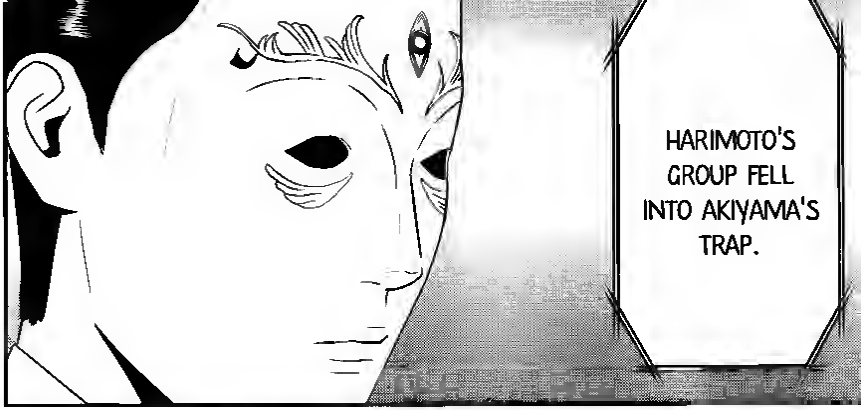
AKIYAMA WOULDN'T HAVE MANAGED TO GRAB THE FIRST PLACE FROM HIM, COMING IN ONLY SECOND, WHICH WOULDN'T HAVE GIVEN HIM ENOUGH MONEY TO PAY OFF EVERYBODY'S DEBTS.
HARIMOTO HAD ALREADY HELD THE INTERIM FIRST PLACE, AND HAD HARIMOTO'S GROUP CONTINUED TO EXCHANGE CARDS IN ORDER TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN HIS HAND,

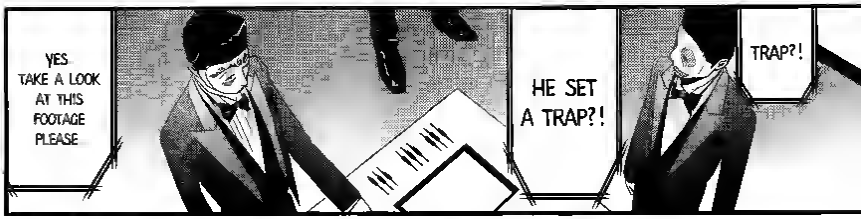

HE WANTED HER TO FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT HE HIMSELF WAS CONTENT WITH THE 2ND PLACE, AND THERE WAS NO NEED TO FURTHER CONSOLIDATE HARIMOTO'S LEAD AS HARIMOTO HAD ALREADY AS GOOD AS WON THE GAME ANYWAY!
THAT'S WHY HE NEEDED KIMURA TO KEEP THINKING THAT THERE WAS NO WAY ALL THE PLAYERS COULD POSSIBLY TEAM UP!
AH! I SEE!

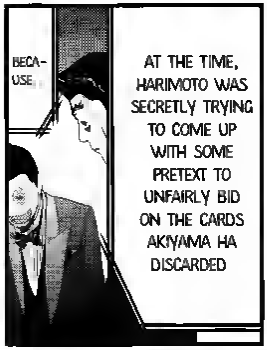

BUT BEFORE THAT HAPPENED, AKIYAMA SENT KAWAI TO HER
I'M SURE, SHE HAD A PLAN TO FURTHER IMPROVE HARIMOTO'S HAND AND SOLIDIFY HIS POSITION THAT SHE WAS READY TO PUT INTO ACTION AT THE FIRST INDICATION OF EVEN THE SLIGHTEST MOVEMENT ON AKIYAMA'S PART.
OBSERVING AKIYAMA, WHO CONTINUED TO SIMPLY WATCH THE GAME UNFOLD SEEMINGLY DOING NOTHING, KIMURA CAME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT HE HAD REACHED HIS GOAL OF GETTING BIG PROFIT AND WAS NOW IDLING THE TIME AWAY.
YES, THAT'S RIGHT.

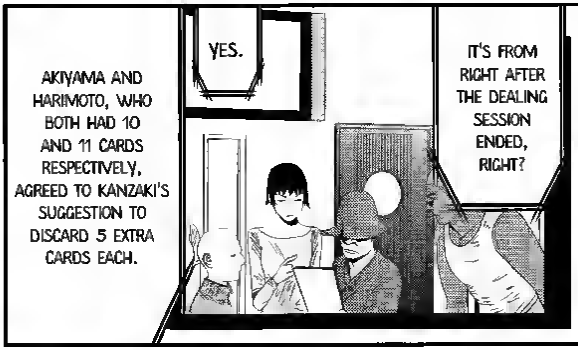
THAT BUSIED KIMURA ENOUGH FOR HER TO PASS UP ON THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONDUCT THE CARD EXCHANGE TO STRENGTHEN HARIMOTO'S HAND
AND KAWAI HELPED KIMURA'S EFFORTS TO PREVENT TANINAKA AND THE OTHERS FROM ATTAINING A VALID PLACE BY PUTTING HIS BACK INTO SPYING.
MAKING HER SUFFER CRUSHING DEFEAT.
AS A RESULT, KIMURA LET HER GUARD DOWN, AND AKIYAMA USED IT FOR HIS ATTACK,
INCRE-DIBLE..
I SEE ...
AKIYAMA WAITED UNTIL TANINAKA AND THE OTHERS HAD THEIR BACK AGAINST THE WALL, RIGHT?
?
WELL, FOR ME, THERE IS STILL SOMETHING I DON'T QUITE UNDERSTAND
I COULDN'T HAVE IMAGINED AKIYAMA ATTACKED KIMURA FROM SUCH AN ANGLE..

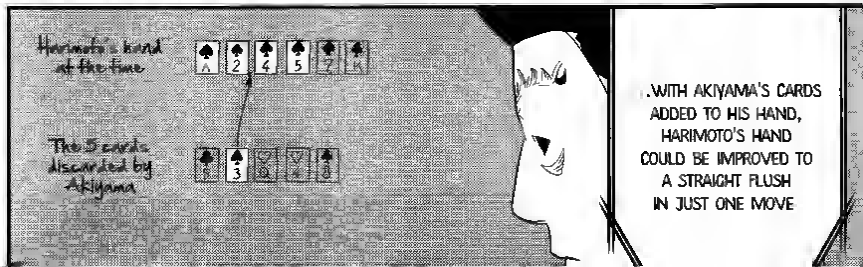
I UNDERSTAND THAT. HOWEVER, WASN'T THERE A POSSIBILITY...
YES, SINCE THAT WAS THE BEST MOMENT FOR THE PLAYERS TO REALIZE THAT THEY HAD NO OTHER WAY OUT OTHER THAN TEAMING UP WITH AKIYAMA AND KANZAKI.
...THAT BEFORE THAT MOMENT EVEN CAME, SOME PLAYERS WOULD GO AND JOIN FORCES WITH HARIMOTO'S GROUP?
FUFU...
AKIYAMA WAS AWARE OF THIS, WASN'T HE? WHAT WOULD HE DO IF THAT HAPPENED?
WASN'T THERE A CHANCE THAT EVEN KAWAI COULD BE TEMPTED INTO BETRAYING AKIYAMA AND JOINING SIDES WITH HARIMOTO'S GROUP FOR REAL?
AND I'M NOT TALKING ONLY ABOUT THOSE FOUR
...COULD NOT HAPPEN.
THAT...
AND THIS IS THE SECOND REASON WHY KIMURA LOST.
EH?!

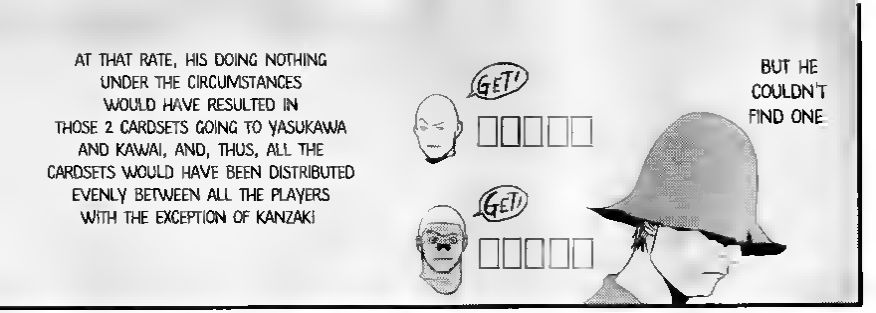

HARIMOTO'S GROUP FELL INTO AKIYAMA'S TRAP.


YES. TAKE A LOOK AT THIS FOOTAGE PLEASE.
HE SET A TRAP?!
TRAP?!

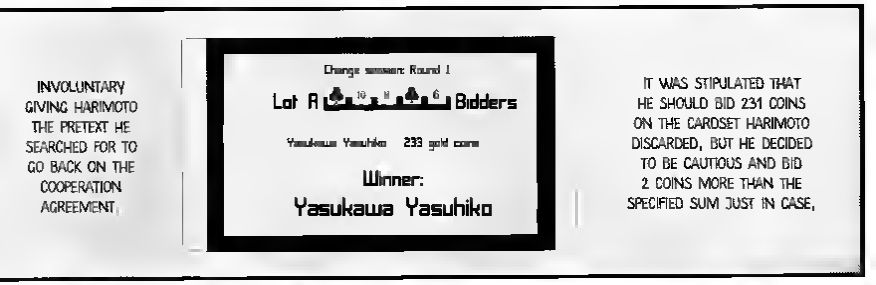

BECA-USE,
AT THE TIME, HARIMOTO WAS SECRETLY TRYING TO COME UP WITH SOME PRETEXT TO UNFAIRLY BID ON THE CARDS AKIYAMA HA DISCARDED


AKIYAMA AND HARIMOTO, WHO BOTH HAD 10 AND 11 CARDS RESPECTIVELY, AGREED TO KANZAKI'S SUGGESTION TO DISCARD 5 EXTRA CARDS EACH.
YES.
IT'S FROM RIGHT AFTER THE DEALING SESSION ENDED, RIGHT?


Harimoto's hand at the time
A
2
4
5
7
K
The 5 cards discarded by Akiyama
3
Q
K
8
.WITH AKIYAMA'S CARDS ADDED TO HIS HAND, HARIMOTO'S HAND COULD BE IMPROVED TO A STRAIGHT FLUSH IN JUST ONE MOVE

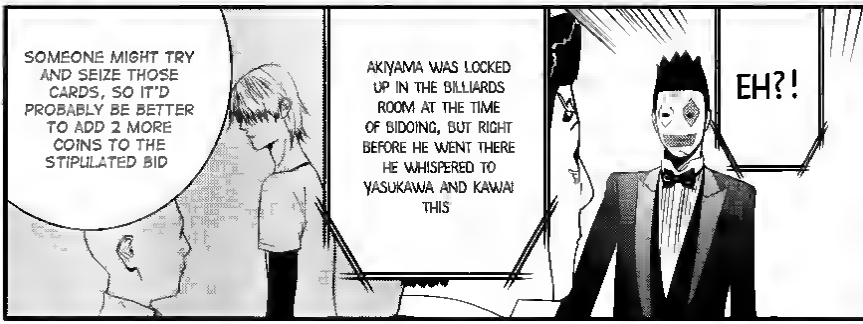

AT THAT RATE, HIS DOING NOTHING UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD HAVE RESULTED IN THOSE 2 CARDSETS GOING TO YASUKAWA AND KAWAI, AND, THUS, ALL THE CARDSETS WOULD HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED EVENLY BETWEEN ALL THE PLAYERS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF KANZAKI
GET!
GET!
BUT HE COULDN'T FIND ONE.

AH YES, THAT'S WHEN YASUKAWA DID SOMETHING RATHER STUPID.
AND THAT WAS ONE THING HARIMOTO'S GROUP WANTED TO AVOID AT ALL COSTS.
THAT IS, THE END RESULT WOULD HAVE BEEN JUST LIKE KANZAKI HOPED.


INVOLUNTARY GIVING HARIMOTO THE PRETEXT HE SEARCHED FOR TO GO BACK ON THE COOPERATION AGREEMENT.
Change session: Round 1
Lot A 10 11 6 Bidders
Yasukawa Yasuhiko 233 gold coins
Winner:
Yasukawa Yasuhiko
IT WAS STIPULATED THAT HE SHOULD BID 231 COINS ON THE CARDSET HARIMOTO DISCARDED, BUT HE DECIDED TO BE CAUTIOUS AND BID 2 COINS MORE THAN THE SPECIFIED SUM JUST IN CASE.

NO, IT WAS NOT.
!?
IT WAS A BIG OVERSIGHT ON AKIYAMA'S PART.
AFTER THAT, MIKAMOTO OPENLY SEIZED THE CARDSET AKIYAMA HAD DISCARDED.
WE TRUSTED YOU WITH ALL OUR HEART AND EVEN AGREED TO GO ALONG WITH YOUR SUGGESTION... YET THAT'S HOW UNFLUTTERINGLY YOU THINK OF US.
YOU HAVE BEEN DOUBTING US.

IT WAS AKIYAMA WHO TOLD YASUKAWA TO BID 233 COINS INSTEAD OF 231.
THAT WAS THE TRAP THAT AKIYAMA SET UP.


SOMEONE MIGHT TRY AND SEIZE THOSE CARDS, SO IT'D PROBABLY BE BETTER TO ADD 2 MORE COINS TO THE STIPULATED BID
AKIYAMA WAS LOCKED UP IN THE BILLIARDS ROOM AT THE TIME OF BIDDING, BUT RIGHT BEFORE HE WENT THERE HE WHISPERED TO YASUKAWA AND KAWAI THIS
EH?!

TO JUSTIFY HIS ACTIONS HARIMOTO, WHO FINALLY OBTAINED THE PRETEXT TO END THE UNWANTED COOPERATION, MADE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:
YOU'RE WRONG ABOUT THAT.
ALL THAT SUGGESTION DID IS GIVE HARIMOTO THE PRETEXT HE WANTED THERE WAS NOTHING IN IT FOR AKIYAMA, WAS THERE?
NO, NO, NO, WAIT PLEASE I DON'T SEE HOW THIS IS A TRAP.

FROM NOW ON, WE ABSOLUTELY WON'T COOPERATE WITH YOU.
YOU ALL WOULD HAVE CRUELLY STOMPED US WITHOUT ANY SECOND THOUGHTS.
THEY INGRAINED THE NOTION THAT COOPERATING WITH HARIMOTO'S GROUP HAD BECOME UTTERLY IMPOSSIBLE INTO THE MINDS OF THE PLAYERS
HARIMOTO SAID THAT WITH THE SINGLE INTENTION TO JUSTIFY HIMSELF, I BELIEVE HOWEVER, THOSE WERE VERY WEIGHTY WORDS
AH!
THAT WAS THE TRAP HE SET UP.
IN OTHER WORDS, AKIYAMA WENT AS FAR AS GIVING HARIMOTO THE PRETEXT HE WANTED JUST TO MAKE HIM SAY THOSE WORDS
AND FOR THAT REASON, AKIYAMA WAS NOT AFRAID THAT KAWAI COULD ACTUALLY CHANGE SIDES AND COOPERATE WITH KIMURA
INDEED
SO, HARIMOTO AND HIS FOLLOWERS WALKED RIGHT INTO THAT TRAP WITHOUT THEIR KNOWLEDGE ?

RIGHT AFTER THAT, IN THE FIGHT FOR THE 5 CARDS THAT AKIYAMA DISCARDED, IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT KAWAI WOULD BID ALL OF HIS MONEY ON THEM, SO MIKAMOTO HAD TO BID 301 COINS IN ORDER TO OUTBID HIM AND GET THAT CARDSET.

BESIDES, THE EFFECTS FROM AKIYAMA'S TRAP WERE NOT LIMITED TO PURELY PSYCHOLOGICAL.

AND THAT MEANS...

YES, THAT IS CORRECT.

LATER, THAT MONEY BECAME PART OF THE FUNDS NECESSARY FOR EXECUTION OF HIS PLAN TO UNITE ALL THE PLAYERS!

OH! AND THE ONE WHO GOT THOSE 301 COINS WAS THE PLAYER WHO DISCARDED THAT LOT, THAT IS, AKIYAMA!

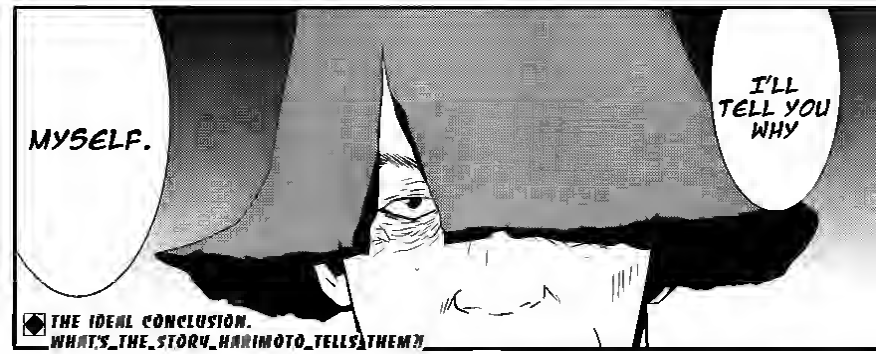
OF WHAT THE CLOSING STAGES OF THE GAME WOULD BE LIKE AS EARLY AS THAT MOMENT.

. THAT AKIYAMA HAD ALREADY HAD A CLEAR VISION

THAT MAN IS DEFINITELY SOMETHING ELSE...

FOR REAL ...?

WELL, THIS FIGHT IS DECIDED,
BUT I WANT TO ASK YOU SOMETHING, KIMURA.
...
I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT THE LST OFFICE IS SO BIASED AS TO SEND INVITATIONS TO FOUR PEOPLE FROM THE SAME CULT. WHICH MEANS YOU TAKE PART IN THE GAME AS SOMEONE'S REPRESENTATIVES, RIGHT?
WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LIAR GAME?




THE IDEAL CONCLUSION.
WHAT'S THE STORY HARIMOTO TELLS THEM?

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NEXT TIME, WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE LIAR GAME?!

LIAR GAME

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# LIAR GAME ライアーゲーム

A radiant will behind the mask of coldness.

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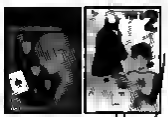

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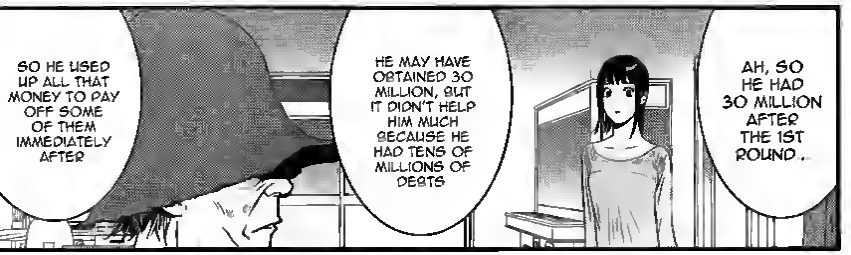
大絶賛発売中!

YOU WILL HEAR
FROM MY MOUTH
HARIMOTO TELLS THE TRUTH BEHIND THEIR MOTIVES!
THE REASON WHY WE PARTICIPATE IN THIS GAME.
A YOUNG WOMAN CAME TO ME.
THE EVENTS I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT TOOK PLACE ABOUT 4-5 MONTHS AGO.
!!
WHEN I ASKED WHAT WAS TROUBLING HER, SHE ANSWERED
THAT HER BOYFRIEND - LET'S NAME HIM 'A' FOR NOW - HAD BEEN DRAGGED INTO SOME FISHY GAME.
SHE WAS TALKING ABOUT THE LIAR GAME, WAS SHE NOT?
YES, SHE WAS

A MANAGED TO STEAL 30 MILLION AND, THUS, WON.
IN THE GAME OF THE FIRST ROUND HE AND A PERSON HE'D NEVER SEEN BEFORE HAD TO FIGHT FOR 100 MILLION YEN.


SO HE USED UP ALL THAT MONEY TO PAY OFF SOME OF THEM IMMEDIATELY AFTER
HE MAY HAVE OBTAINED 30 MILLION, BUT IT DION'T HELP HIM MUCH BECAUSE HE HAD TENS OF MILLIONS OF DEBTS
AH, SO HE HAD 30 MILLION AFTER THE 1ST ROUND..

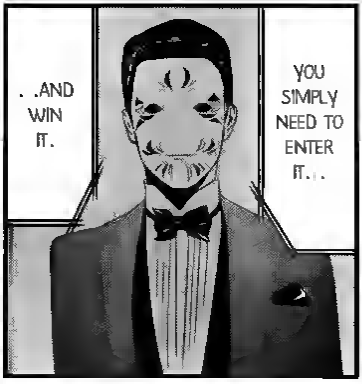
AND SOON AN INVITATION TO THE SECOND ROUND ARRIVED.
LIAR GAME 2回戦のご案内
BUT THE GAME HE WAS INVOLVED IN DION'T END WITH JUST THAT,

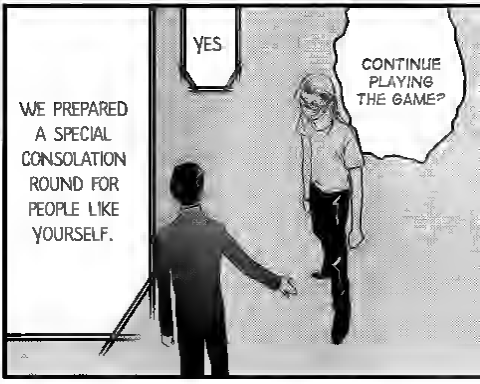
AND FOR HIM IT ENDED WITH...
NO
YES
YES
THE GAME FOR THE 2ND ROUND WAS THE MINORITY RULE GAME.
HE GLADLY TOOK PART IN THE 2ND
INSPIRED WITH HIS VICTORY IN THE 1ST ROUND,
JUST LIKE ME...

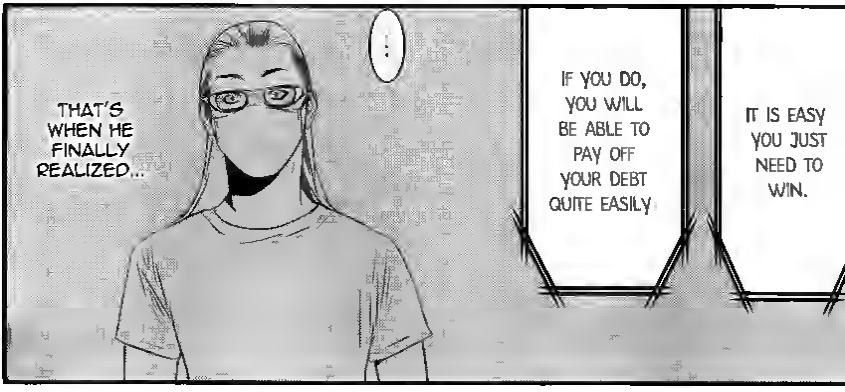
HE WAS SADDLED WITH A NEW 100 MILLION DEBT BEFORE HE EVEN KNEW.
..CRUSHING DEFEAT.
I HAVE NO OBLIGATION TO PAY OFF A DEBT AQUIRED IN A CHEATING GAME LIKE THIS! I'M NOT GONNA PAY IT!
THIS GAME IS ILLEGAL!
OF COURSE THERE WAS NO WAY HE COULD PAY OFF SUCH A LARGE DEBT, SO AT THE GAME STAGE HE SNAPPED BACK AT THE DEALER.
WHAT FUNNY THINGS YOU ARE SAYING?
ILLEGAL? CHEATING?
?
AND WHAT WE HAVE LEFT IS THE FACT THAT YOU STOLE 30 MILLION...
IF YOU INSIST THAT THIS GAME IS ILLEGAL, THEN YOUR ACTIONS IN THE 1ST ROUND WERE NOT SIMPLY YOU PLAYING THE GAME,

YOUR CLAIM MAKES YOU A THIEF.
TO CUT LONG STORY SHORT...
IF YOU WERE NOT ACTING IN THE NAME OF THE GAME, THEN IT MEANS YOU STOLE 30 MILLION FROM US.
THE 30 MILLION YOU STOLE WAS PREPARED BY US.
!!
THAT WAS AN AWKWARD WORDING ON MY PART!
WAIT!
AND NOW WE WILL HAVE TO SUE YOU FOR THAT UNLAWFUL ACT YOU COMMITTED AGAINST US
THEN YOU DO NOT HAVE TO WORRY— THE SOLUTION IS SIMPLE
OH, THAT IS HOW IT IS, EH. FUFUFU
I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO...
IT'S NOT LIKE I DON'T WANT TO PAY, IT'S JUST THAT I CAN'T. 100 MILLION IS HELL OF A LOT OF MONEY AFTER ALL!

YOU JUST NEED TO CONTINUE PLAYING THE GAME.


. .AND WIN IT.
YOU SIMPLY NEED TO ENTER IT. . .

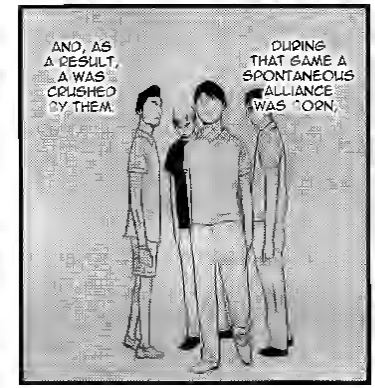

WE PREPARED A SPECIAL CONSOLATION ROUND FOR PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELF.
YES.
CONTINUE PLAYING THE GAME?

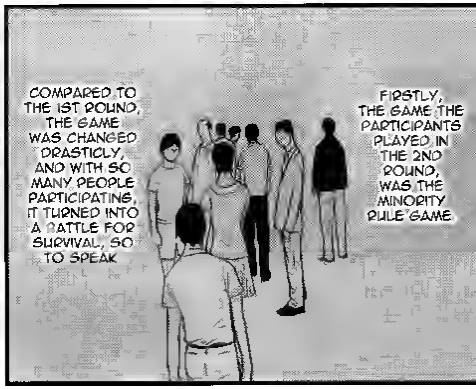

THAT'S WHEN HE FINALLY REALIZED...
. . .
IF YOU DO, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO PAY OFF YOUR DEBT QUITE EASILY.
IT IS EASY YOU JUST NEED TO WIN.

HE WAS DRAGGED INTO.
JUST WHAT KIND OF INESCAPABLE SWAMP
A WAS LOST AND DEPRESSED
HIS GIRLFRIEND, UNABLE TO BEAR WITH HIS STRANGE CHANGE, PRESSED HIM FOR ANSWERS
AND HE FINALLY YIELDED AND
TOLD HER EVERY-THING
BY CHANCE, SHE WAS HANDED OUR CULT'S LEAFLET IN THE CITY, SO SHE RAN TO US FOR ADVICE.
We will release you from all your suffering and problems.
THAT'S HOW THE STORY GOES
…

BEFORE SHE CAME TO US, WE KNEW NOTHING ABOUT THE LIAR GAME OR MET ANYONE ELSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN IT.
AFTER HEARING OUT WHAT SHE HAD TO SAY, I WAS ABLE TO GRASP THE ROUGH GIST OF THE GAME'S WORKINGS.

AND THERE WERE
A FEW POINTS OF INTEREST ABOUT IT


AND, AS A RESULT, A WAS CRUSHED BY THEM.
DURING THAT GAME A SPONTANEOUS ALLIANCE WAS BORN.


COMPARED TO THE 1ST ROUND, THE GAME WAS CHANGED DRASTICLY, AND WITH SO MANY PEOPLE PARTICIPATING, IT TURNED INTO A BATTLE FOR SURVIVAL, SO TO SPEAK.
FIRSTLY, THE GAME THE PARTICIPANTS PLAYED IN THE 2ND ROUND, WAS THE MINORITY RULE GAME.

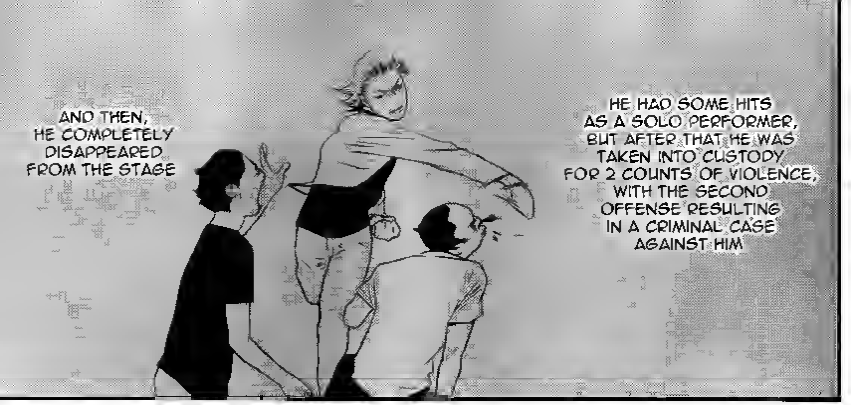
SECONDLY
THAT, TOO, FOR HIM WAS THE SAME AS FOR US—

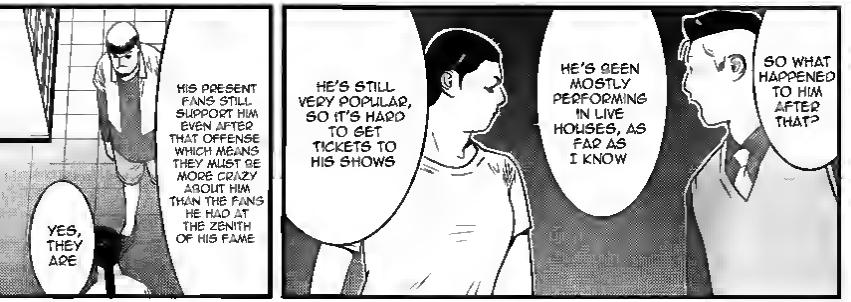
THERE WAS A PERSON WHO WASN'T DIRECTLY INVITED TO THE GAME
BUT SUBSTITUTED FOR SOMEONE WHO WAS.
...
WHEN I HEARD OF THOSE TWO POINTS,
I UNDERSTOOD SOMETHING
WE CAN BRING THE GAME UNDER OUR CONTROL IF WE FORM A GROUP AND TAKE PART AS REPRESENTATIVES.
THAT'S THE GIST OF IT.
...
INDEED
IN THE LIAR GAME, HAVING A TEAM ON YOUR SIDE IS, WITHOUT A DOUBT, A POWERFUL WEAPON.
SO, I BECAME A'S REPRESENTATIVE AND HEADED FOR THE MEETING POINT TO TAKE PART IN THE CONSOLATION MATCH, BRINGING KIMURA, ADE AND MIKAMOTO WITH ME TO FIND SOMEONE AMONG THE PLAYERS THEY COULD SUBSTITUTE FOR.
WE FOUND 3 PARTICIPANTS WILLING TO LET MY COMPANIONS TO TAKE OVER FOR THEM IN NO TIME.
AND, JUST AS I EXPECTED,
WE TRIUMPHED IN THAT CONSOLATION MATCH.
UM
MAY I ASK YOU SOMETHING?

YOU STARTED PARTICIPATING IN THE LIAR GAME IN ORDER TO SAVE THAT A PERSON, DID YOU NOT?
EH?
Y-YES, OF COURSE
BY WINNING YOU MAY BE ABLE TO SAVE A-SAN, BUT AT THE SAME TIME YOU MAKE SOMEONE ELSE LOSE, DOOMING THEM YOU STILL CHOSE TO PARTICIPATE EVEN KNOWING THAT?
IN THE LIAR GAME, THERE ARE ALWAYS WINNERS AND LOSERS.
BUT IF IT IS TRUE, THERE IS SOMETHING STRANGE, THEN...
HAYAMOTO-SAN, YOU SAID YOU GRASPED THE ROUGH GIST OF THE GAME'S WORKINGS
N-
!!
NOTHING WRONG WITH THAT!!!

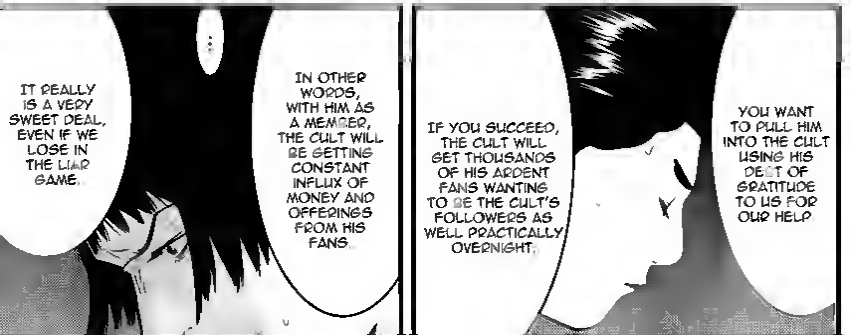
AND THE PLAYERS ARE DEMONS WHO THINK NOTHING OF TRICKING AND SWINDLING OTHERS!!!
THE LIAR GAME IS A GAME OF DECEP-TION!!!
YOU ADMINISTERED JUSTICE TO THOSE DEMONS...?
IN OTHER WORDS
ONE OF THE PRINCIPLES OF OUR DOCTRINE IS BANISHING DEMONS FROM THIS WORLD!
WE PARTICIPATED IN ORDER TO PUNISH THOSE DEMONS!
REALLY?
WHEN A PERSON COMES TO US ASKING TO BE SAVED, IT'S NOT NECESSARY THAT WE ALWAYS TURN HIM DOWN
HOW-EVER
IT SHOULD BE OBVIOUS FOR US, ONE MISTAKE MIGHT COST US EVERYTHING AS WELL, AND THE RISK TO LOSE BIG IS ALSO SUBSTENTIAL
!!
THE REASON WHY WE TAKE PART IN THE LIAR GAME IS...
JUST SO YOU KNOW... I REALIZED THE REAL REASON.
IS THAT THE REAL REASON?
!?
ABE-SAN!

...BECAUSE THAT A PERSON IS KASHIKI YULIYA, RIGHT?
KASHIKI YULIYA?!
YOU MEAN, THAT FAMOUS MUSICIAN?!
YES
THE VOCALIST OF THE MONSTER BAND 'MALWARES' THAT WAS TREMENDOUSLY POPULAR ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO
FOR REAL?!
I WAS THEIR LOYAL FAN BACK THEN!
ME, TOO! I HAVE ALL OF THEIR ALBUMS!
THEY BROKE UP 10 YEARS AGO AT THE PEAK OF THEIR POPULARITY, THOUGH
WELL, THAT, TOO, MADE THEM A LEGENDARY BAND
AFTER THEIR BREAK UP, KASHIKI WASN'T DOING ALL THAT GOOD, NO?
YEAH

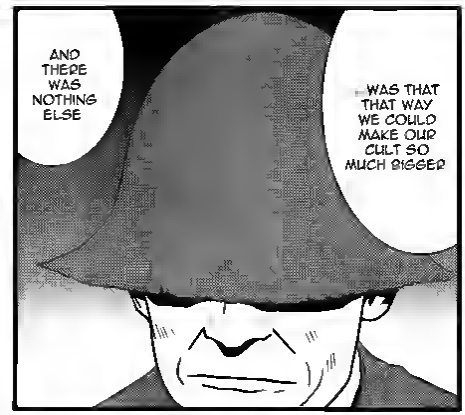

AND THEN, HE COMPLETELY DISAPPEARED FROM THE STAGE
HE HAD SOME HITS AS A SOLO PERFORMER, BUT AFTER THAT HE WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY FOR 2 COUNTS OF VIOLENCE, WITH THE SECOND OFFENSE RESULTING IN A CRIMINAL CASE AGAINST HIM


YES, THEY ARE
HIS PRESENT FANS STILL SUPPORT HIM EVEN AFTER THAT OFFENSE WHICH MEANS THEY MUST BE MORE CRAZY ABOUT HIM THAN THE FANS HE HAD AT THE ZENITH OF HIS FAME
HE'S STILL VERY POPULAR, SO IT'S HARD TO GET TICKETS TO HIS SHOWS
HE'S BEEN MOSTLY PERFORMING IN LIVE HOUSES, AS FAR AS I KNOW
SO WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM AFTER THAT?

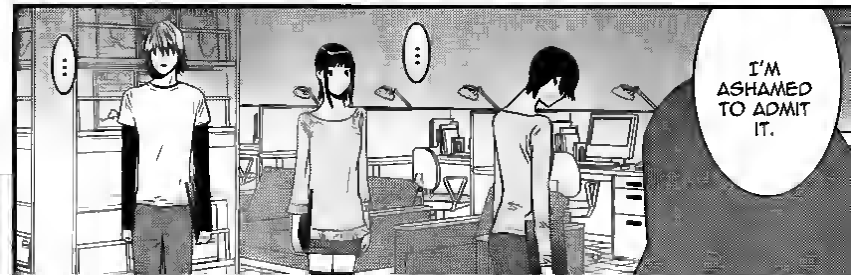
!!
THE REAL TARGET OF OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE LIAR GAME IS KASHIKI YULIYA'S FANS, RIGHT?
1,000 YEAR OLD ONE


IT REALLY IS A VERY SWEET DEAL, EVEN IF WE LOSE IN THE LIAR GAME.
IN OTHER WORDS, WITH HIM AS A MEMBER, THE CULT WILL BE GETTING CONSTANT INFLUX OF MONEY AND OFFERINGS FROM HIS FANS.
IF YOU SUCCEED, THE CULT WILL GET THOUSANDS OF HIS ARDENT FANS WANTING TO BE THE CULT'S FOLLOWERS AS WELL PRACTICALLY OVERNIGHT.
YOU WANT TO PULL HIM INTO THE CULT USING HIS DEBT OF GRATITUDE TO US FOR OUR HELP

10,000 YEAR OLD ONE!!!
YOUR ASSUMPTION IS CORRECT, 500 YEAR OLD ONE.


AND THERE WAS NOTHING ELSE
WAS THAT THAT WAY WE COULD MAKE OUR CULT SO MUCH BIGGER

THE ONLY THING WE COULD THINK ABOUT
IT'S TIME TO CONFESS. AT THE TIME WHEN WE MADE THE DECISION TO TAKE PART IN THE LIAR GAME, WE HAD NO INTENTION OF SAVING KASHIKI YUUYA.


...
...
I'M ASHAMED TO ADMIT IT.

I'M GLAD I GOT TO TAKE PART IN A GAME LIKE THIS.
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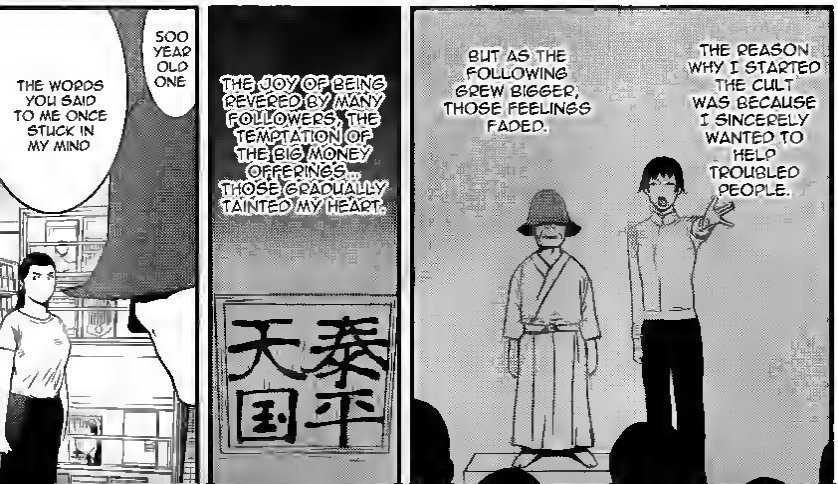
BUT YOU KNOW...

...IN THE COURSE OF THIS GAME I REMEMBERED THE FEELINGS I HAD LONG SINCE FORGOTTEN.
BECAUSE


THE WORDS YOU SAID TO ME ONCE STUCK IN MY MIND
SOO YEAR OLD ONE
THE JOY OF BEING REVERED BY MANY FOLLOWERS, THE TEMPTATION OF THE BIG MONEY OFFERINGS... THOSE GRADUALLY TAINTED MY HEART.
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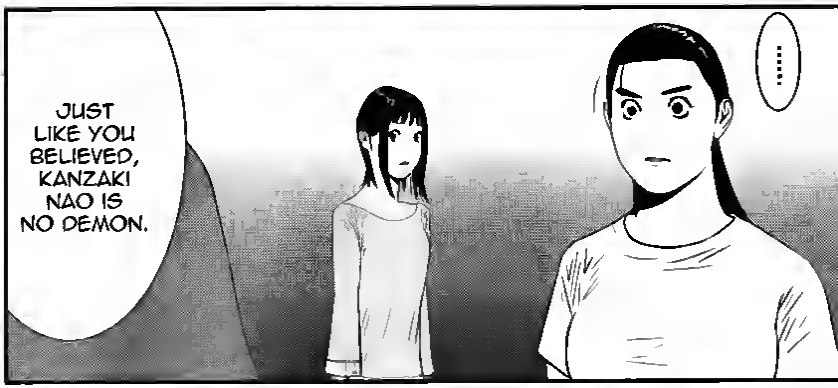
BUT AS THE FOLLOWING GREW BIGGER, THOSE FEELINGS FADED.
THE REASON WHY I STARTED THE CULT WAS BECAUSE I SINCERELY WANTED TO HELP TROUBLED PEOPLE.

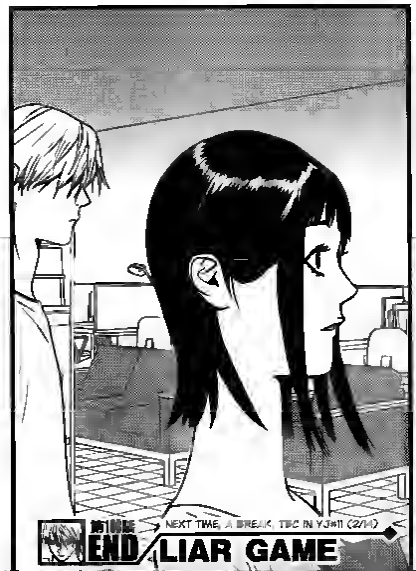
'IS KANZAKI NAO A DEMON?!" YOU ASKED ME...


JUST LIKE YOU BELIEVED, KANZAKI NAO IS NO DEMON.
.....

IT WOULD BE ME.
IF THERE'S A DEMON HERE,

KANZAKI-SAN
I'M HAPPY TO HAVE MET YOU
THE FACT THAT PEOPLE AS PURE AS YOU REALLY EXIST IN THIS WORLD
IS A RAY OF LIGHT
AND HOPE.
HARIMOTO-SAN
...
O GOD IN HEAVEN!
I THANK THEE FOR THIS DEFEAT THOU BESTOWED UPON US FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART!

THE FOUR OF US WILL NOW FINALLY
WITHDRAW FROM THE LIAR GAME.
PURIFICATION OF THE SOUL THAT GAVE RIRTH TO DECEPTION!


NEXT TIME, A BREAK TIME IN YUMI (2/4)
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!!

I will save only those who have nothing.

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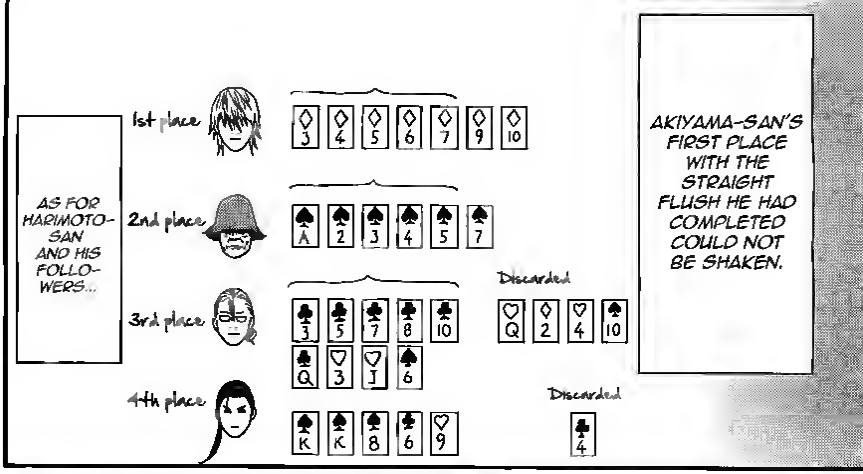
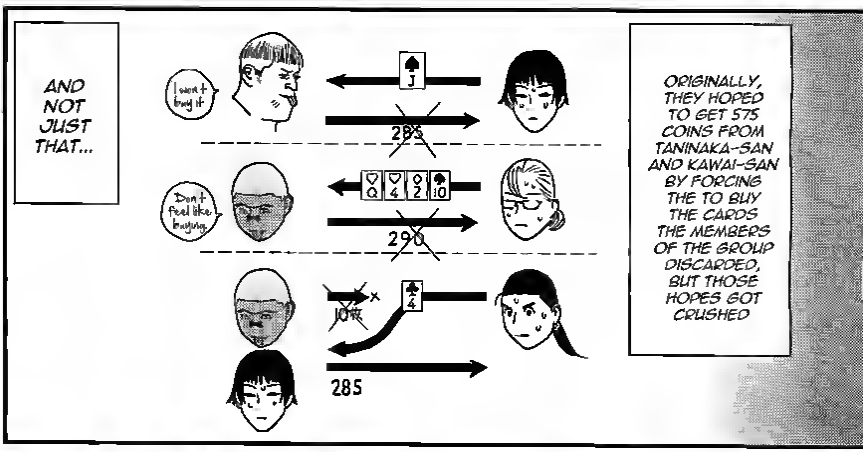
WITHDRAW FROM THE LIAR GAME.
THE FOUR OF US WILL FINALLY
THE RIO POKER ARC HAS FINALLY COME TO AN END!
HARIMOTO -SAN...
!!
I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS...
YOU'RE KIDDING ME...
HARIMOTO'S GROUP IS GOING TO QUIT THE LIAR GAME?!
WHAT?!
WE'RE STILL IN THE MIDDLE OF A GAME, SO MAYBE IT'S TOO SOO TO LEAVE YET.
FEH
YOU HAVE ONLY 1 MINUTE LEFT TILL BIDDING ON LOT D CLOSES!

LET'S GO BACK TO THE GAME FOR THE MOMENT.
AND ABE-SAN TOO
YES ...
TO ME, AT THAT MOMENT HARIMOTO-SAN LOOKED REALLY RELIEVED
SOME-HOW...
THE VICTORY IN THE GAME HAD BEEN ALREADY SETTLED
...MIKA-MOTO MIKA-SAN!
Change session Round 5
Lot D Bidders
Aikyama Shin'ichi 1 gold coin
Mikamoto Mika 400 gold coins
Winner
Mikamoto Mika
THE WINNER OF LOT D IS...


AS FOR HARIMOTO-SAN AND HIS FOLLO-WERS...
1st place
2nd place
3rd place
4th place
Discarded
Discarded
AKIYAMA-SAN'S FIRST PLACE WITH THE STRAIGHT FLUSH HE HAD COMPLETED COULD NOT BE SHAKEN.


AND NOT JUST THAT...
I won't buy it
285
Don't feel like buying
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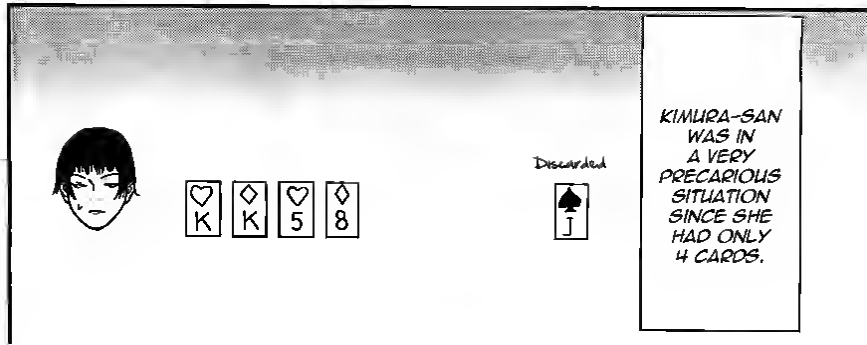
ORIGINALLY, THEY HOPED TO GET 575 COINS FROM TANINAKA-SAN AND KAWAI-SAN BY FORCING THE TO BUY THE CARDS THE MEMBERS OF THE GROUP DISCARDED, BUT THOSE HOPES GOT CRUSHED


Discarded
KIMURA-SAN WAS IN A VERY PRECARIOUS SITUATION SINCE SHE HAD ONLY 4 CARDS.

NO ONE BID ON LOT E.
Change session: Round 5
Lot E Bidders:
None
Winner:
None
THE BIDDERS FOR LOT E ARE...
HOWEVER, BY MOVING THE ENTIRETY OF 400 COINS BETWEEN THE GROUP MEMBERS, SHE MANAGED TO AVOID THE WORST CASE SCENARIO.
.....
LOT E GOES BACK TO MIKAMOTO-SAN WHO ORIGINALLY DISCARDED IT!
KIMURA-SAN WENT FOR THE OPTION OF SECURING A PLACE ON THE RANKING LIST AND MOVING TO THE NEXT ROUND
PHEEEW
Change session: Round 5
Lot F Bidders
Akiyama Shin'ichi 50 g
Kimura Kei 400 g
Winner
Kimura Kei
THE WINNER OF LOT F IS KUMIRA-SAN!
WITH THIS, THE BID POKER CONSOLATION MATCH IS OFFICIALLY OVER!
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN! I SINCERELY THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK!

| Final ranking | | Money |
|---|---|---|
| 2 place | Harimoto Takashi | 0 |
| 3 place | Mikamoto Mika | 0 |
| Ranked winner | Abe Yukiyo | 400 |
| Ranked winner | Kimura Kei | 0 |

ITS RESULTS FOR HARIMOTO'S GROUP WERE AS FOLLOWS

| | Money and bonuses | Return and penalties | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Harimoto | 240m | -100m | = | 140m |
| Mikamoto | 60k | -100m | = | -40k |
| Abe | 400m | -100m | = | 300m |
| Kimura | 0 | -100m | = | -100m |

AFTER ADDING THE 2ND AND 3RD PLACE BONUSES AND SUBTRACTING THE LST RETURN, THEIR INCOME AND EXPENDITURE WAS LIKE THIS

| Final ranking | | Money |
|---|---|---|
| 1place | Akiyama Shin'ichi | 100 |
| Loser | Kanzaki Nao | 312 |
| Loser | Taninaka Kouichi | 401 |
| Loser | Kawai Tatsuya | 300 |
| Loser | Shimoharada Osamu | 240 |
| Loser | Saeki Kiyoshi | 698 |
| Loser | Yasukawa Yasuhiko | 152 |

ON THE OTHER HAND, FOR THE REST OF US THE RESULTS WERE LIKE SO

| | Money and bonuses | Return and penalties | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Akiyama | 700m | -100m | = | 600m |
| Kanzaki | 312m | -250m | = | 62m |
| Taninaka | 410m | -250m | = | 151m |
| Kawai | 300m | -250m | = | 50m |
| Shimoharada | 240m | -250m | = | -10m |
| Saeki | 698m | -250m | = | 448m |
| Yasukawa | 152m | -250m | = | -98m |

*WITH SUBTRACTION OF THE OBLIGATORY 100 MILLION LGT RETURN AND THE 150 MILLION PENALTY FOR THOSE IN THE LAST PLACE AND ADDITION OF 600 MILLION AS AKIYAMA-SAN'S BONUS FOR THE LOSERS, THE TOTAL TURNED OUT LIKE SO:*

| | |
|---|---|
| Akiyama | 0 (transfer to the other players) |
| Kanzaki | 0 (transfer to the other players) |
| Taninaka | 180m (29m from Kanzaki) |
| Kawai | 180m (130m from Akiyama) |
| Shimoharada | 100m (110m from Akiyama) |
| Saeki | 448m |
| Yasukawa | 295m (33m from Kanzaki and 360m from Akiyama) |

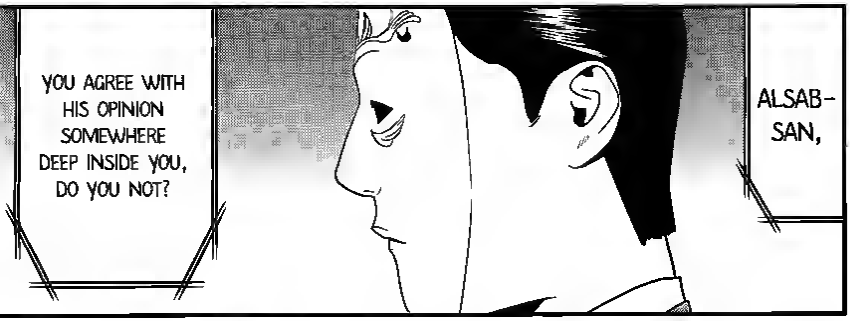
*SINCE AKIYAMA-SAN PROMISED TO THE PLAYERS WHO COOPERATED WITH US TO PAY OFF THEIR DEBTS, WE DIVIDED OUR WINNINGS AMONG THEM LIKE THIS:*

WE DID IT!!!
OF COURSE, THEY WILL NOT BE ASKED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GAME ANYMORE.
WITH THIS, TANINAKA-SAN, KAWAI-SAN, SHIMOHARADA-SAN, SAEKI-SAN AND YASUKAWA-SAN CLEARED THEIR DEBTS AND, HAVING LOST IN THIS CONSOLATION MATCH, ARE ELIMINATED FROM THE LIAR GAME.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS RESULT, ALSAB-SAN?
.....

..WAS VERY IMPRESSED WITH HARIMOTO'S WORDS NEAR THE END..
I PERSO-NALLY ....
I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE IT.
.....

...WHEN HE CALLED KANZAKI NAO A RAY OF LIGHT AND HOPE.


ALSAB-SAN,
YOU AGREE WITH HIS OPINION SOMEWHERE DEEP INSIDE YOU, DO YOU NOT?

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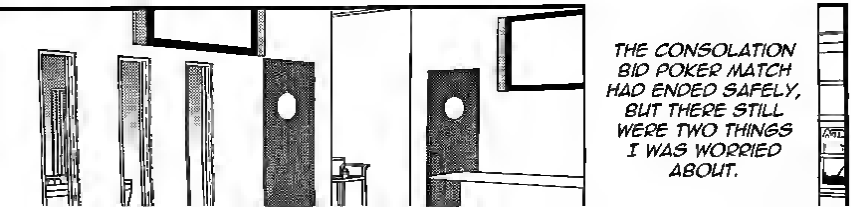
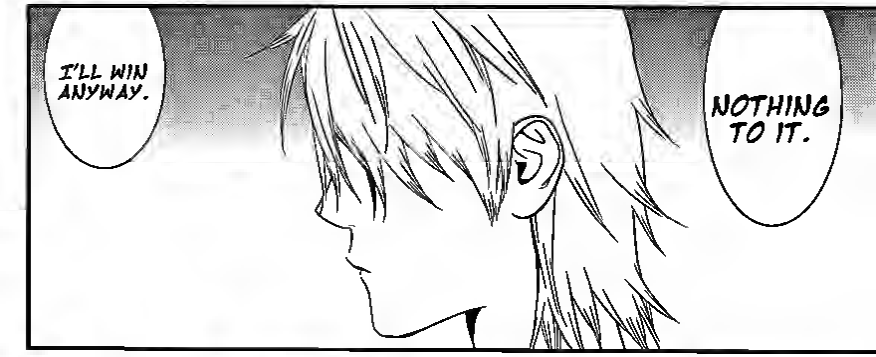
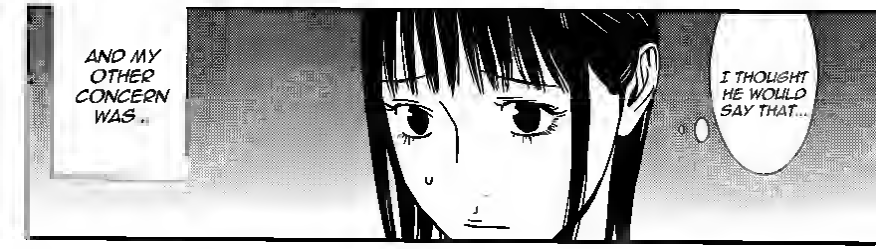
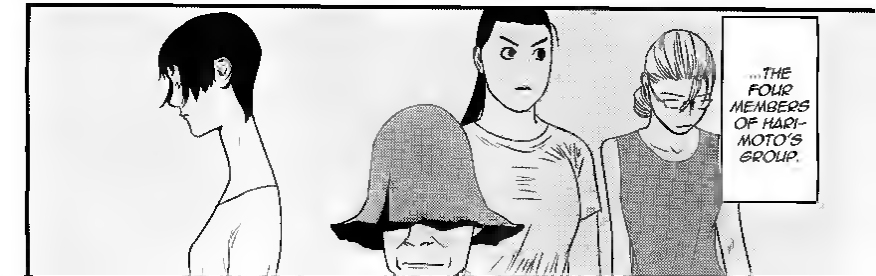

THE CONSOLATION BID POKER MATCH HAD ENDED SAFELY, BUT THERE STILL WERE TWO THINGS I WAS WORRIED ABOUT.

THE FIRST ONE WAS THE FACT THAT DUE TO HIM SHOULDERING SAKAI-SAN'S DEBTS, AKIYAMA-SAN WOULD HAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEXT GAME.
BUT WHEN I VOICED THIS CONCERN TO AKIYAMA-SAN, HE ONLY SAID...


NOTHING TO IT.
I'LL WIN ANYWAY.


I THOUGHT HE WOULD SAY THAT...
AND MY OTHER CONCERN WAS...


...THE FOUR MEMBERS OF HARI-MOTO'S GROUP.

WITH THE PENALTY FROM THAT LOSS TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT, THEY ENDED UP WITH DEBTS

| | Money and bonuses | Return and penalties | |
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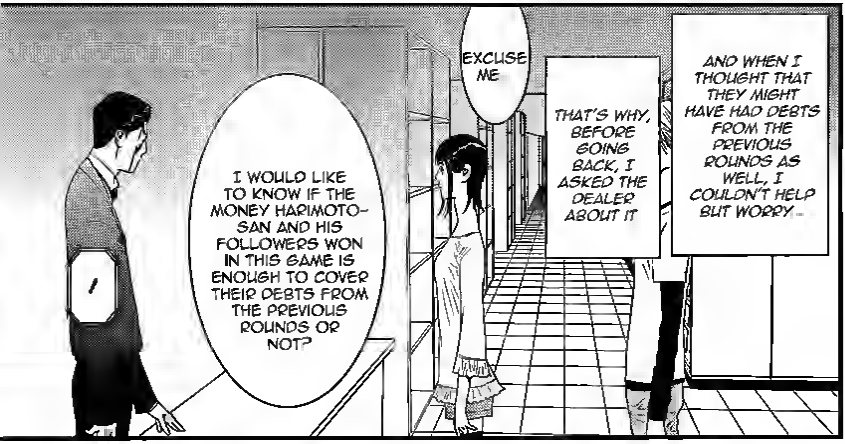
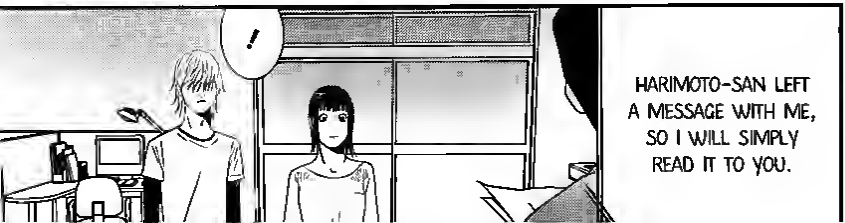
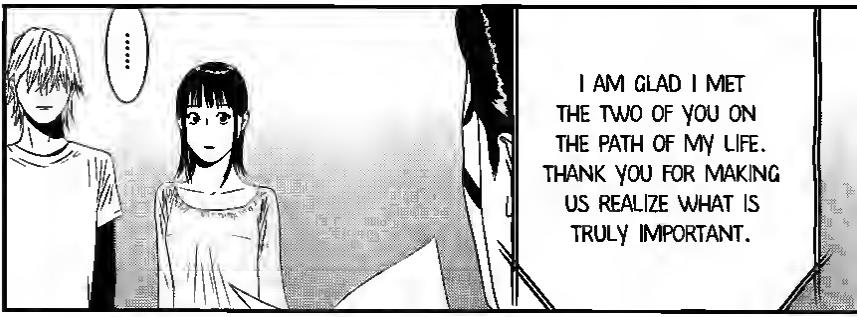
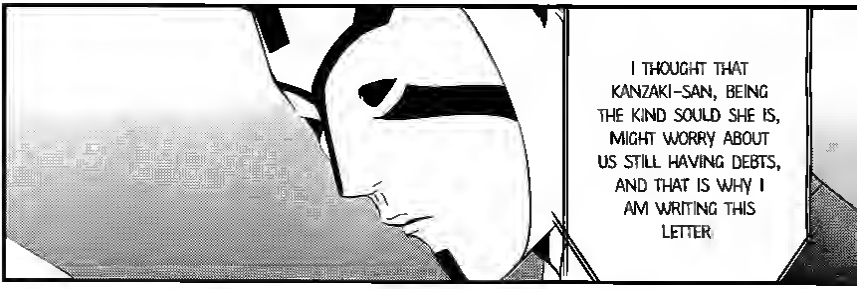
THOUGH THEY ENDED THE CONSOLATION MATCH WITH A POSITIVE BALANCE OF 300 MILLION, THEY HAD LOST THE PREVIOUS GAME


I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THE MONEY HARIMOTO-SAN AND HIS FOLLOWERS WON IN THIS GAME IS ENOUGH TO COVER THEIR DEBTS FROM THE PREVIOUS ROUNDS OR NOT?
EXCUSE ME
THAT'S WHY, BEFORE GOING BACK, I ASKED THE DEALER ABOUT IT
AND WHEN I THOUGHT THAT THEY MIGHT HAVE HAD DEBTS FROM THE PREVIOUS ROUNDS AS WELL, I COULDN'T HELP BUT WORRY...

WELL, THERE IS A RULE THAT FORBIDS US DEALERS TO ENCLOSE INFORMATION CONCERNING A PLAYER'S DEBTS TO ANOTHER PLAYER—. HOWEVER -.
FU FU FU ...







I THOUGHT THAT KANZAKI-SAN, BEING THE KIND SOULD SHE IS, MIGHT WORRY ABOUT US STILL HAVING DEBTS, AND THAT IS WHY I AM WRITING THIS LETTER

OUR LOSS IN THE STEAL-A-CHAIR GAME MADE OUR ASSETS SHRINK, BUT WE STILL HAVE QUITE A BIG SUM LEFT.

WE JOINED THE LIAR GAME AS REPRESENTATIVES STARING FROM THE RESTRUCTURING GAME, AND IN THE RESTRUCTURING GAME AND THE SUBCONSEQUENT CONTRABAND GAME WE MADE ABOUT 2 BILLION OF PROFIT.

AS I TOLD YOU, WE ARE GOING TO QUIT THE GAME NOW.
THEY DIDN'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT LOSING AT ALL.
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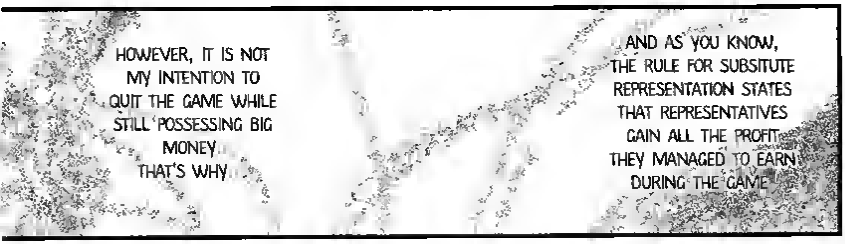
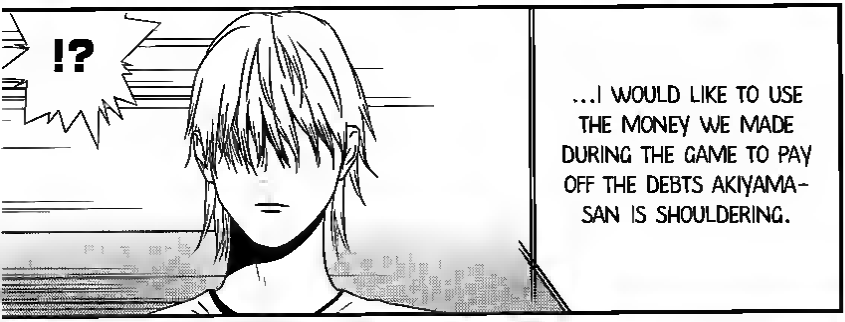

HOWEVER, IT IS NOT MY INTENTION TO QUIT THE GAME WHILE STILL POSSESSING BIG MONEY. THAT'S WHY...
AND AS YOU KNOW, THE RULE FOR SUBSITUTE REPRESENTATION STATES THAT REPRESENTATIVES GAIN ALL THE PROFIT THEY MANAGED TO EARN DURING THE GAME.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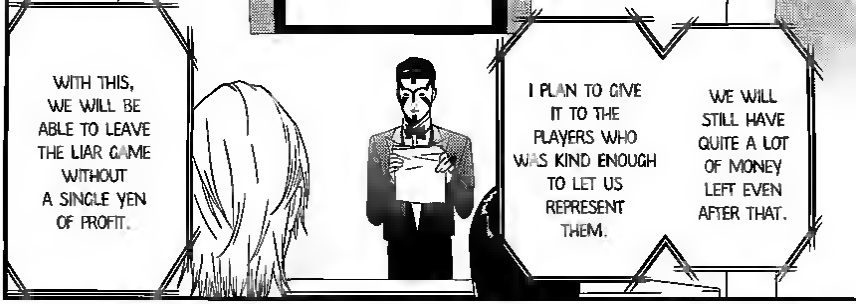
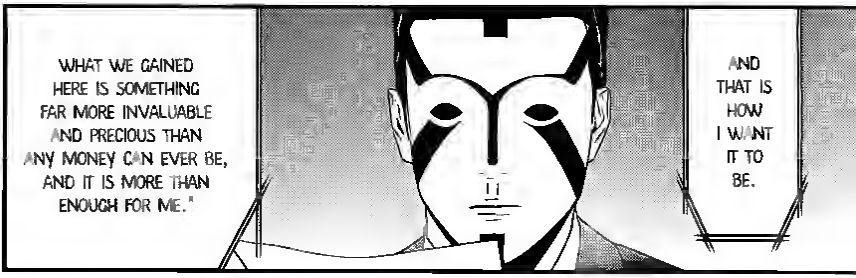
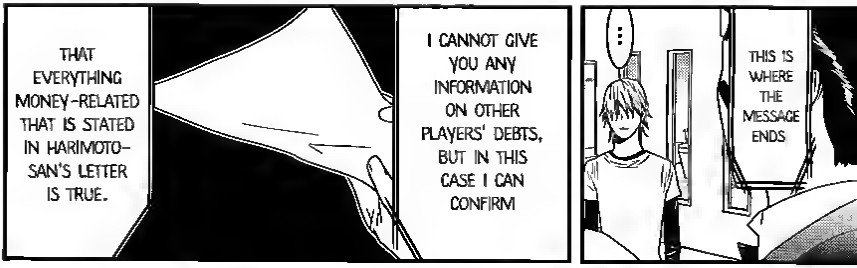
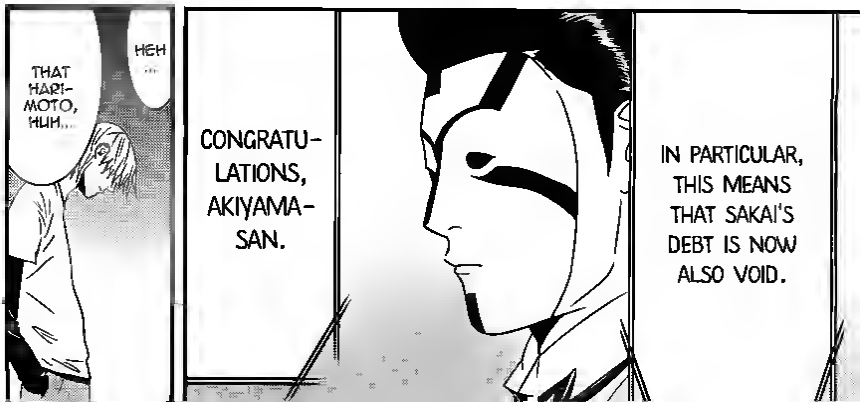
...I WOULD LIKE TO USE THE MONEY WE MADE DURING THE GAME TO PAY OFF THE DEBTS AKIYAMA-SAN IS SHOULDERING.

IF I AM RIGHT, THEN I WOULD LIKE TO USE THE MONEY WE MADE TO CLEAR OFF THAT DEBT.
YOU BECAME SAKAI'S REPRESENTATIVE ON THE CONDITION THAT YOU WOULD SHOULDER HIS DEBT. BUT IN THIS CONSOLATION ROUND YOU COULD NOT COVER SAKAI'S DEBT. COULD YOU?

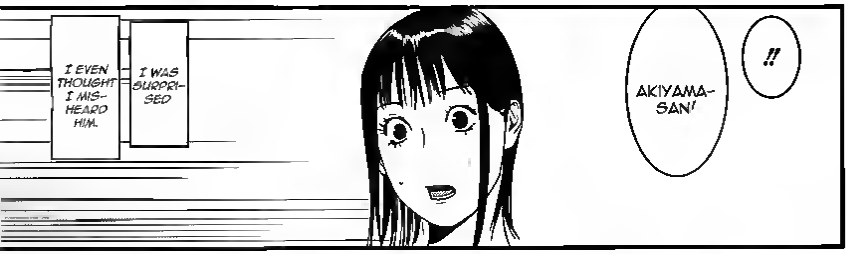

WITH THIS, WE WILL BE ABLE TO LEAVE THE LIAR GAME WITHOUT A SINGLE YEN OF PROFIT.
I PLAN TO GIVE IT TO THE PLAYERS WHO WAS KIND ENOUGH TO LET US REPRESENT THEM.
WE WILL STILL HAVE QUITE A LOT OF MONEY LEFT EVEN AFTER THAT.


WHAT WE GAINED HERE IS SOMETHING FAR MORE INVALUABLE AND PRECIOUS THAN ANY MONEY CAN EVER BE, AND IT IS MORE THAN ENOUGH FOR ME."
AND THAT IS HOW I WANT IT TO BE.


THAT EVERYTHING MONEY-RELATED THAT IS STATED IN HARIMOTO-SAN'S LETTER IS TRUE.
I CANNOT GIVE YOU ANY INFORMATION ON OTHER PLAYERS' DEBTS, BUT IN THIS CASE I CAN CONFIRM
THIS IS WHERE THE MESSAGE ENDS.


HEH...
THAT HARI-MOTO, HUH...
CONGRATU-LATIONS, AKIYAMA-SAN.
IN PARTICULAR, THIS MEANS THAT SAKAI'S DEBT IS NOW ALSO VOID.

PEOPLE, I MEAN.
MAYBE THEY'RE NOT SO HOPELESS, AFTER ALL...


I EVEN THOUGHT I MIS-HEARD HIM.
I WAS SURPRI-SED
AKIYAMA-SAN!
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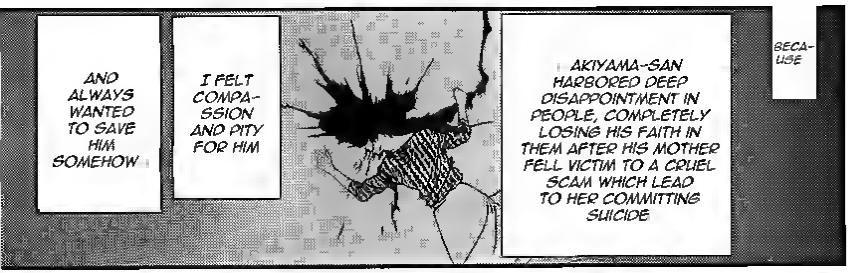
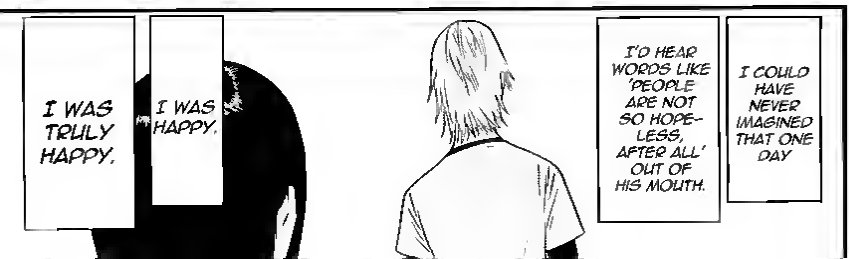
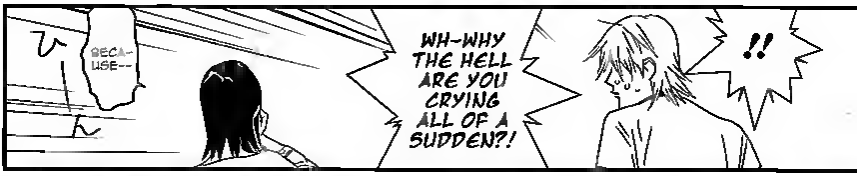

AND ALWAYS WANTED TO SAVE HIM SOMEHOW
I FELT COMPA-SSION AND PITY FOR HIM
AKIYAMA-SAN HARBORED DEEP DISAPPOINTMENT IN PEOPLE, COMPLETELY LOSING HIS FAITH IN THEM AFTER HIS MOTHER FELL VICTIM TO A CRUEL SCAM WHICH LEAD TO HER COMMITTING SUICIDE
BECA-USE


I WAS TRULY HAPPY.
I WAS HAPPY.
I'D HEAR WORDS LIKE 'PEOPLE ARE NOT SO HOPE-LESS, AFTER ALL' OUT OF HIS MOUTH.
I COULD HAVE NEVER IMAGINED THAT ONE DAY

I WISHED AND HOPED FOR THAT MOMENT TO COME SOME DAY.
THE WHOLE TIME I KNEW HIM,


BECA-USE--
WH-WHY THE HELL ARE YOU CRYING ALL OF A SUDDEN?!
!!

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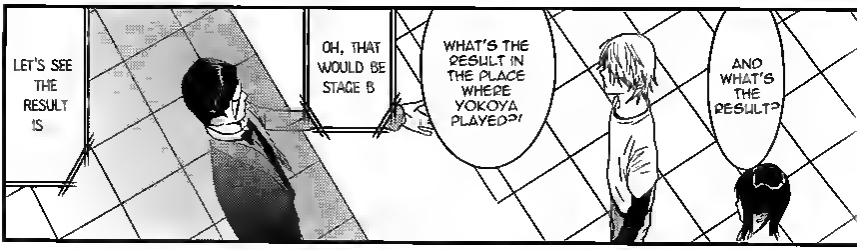
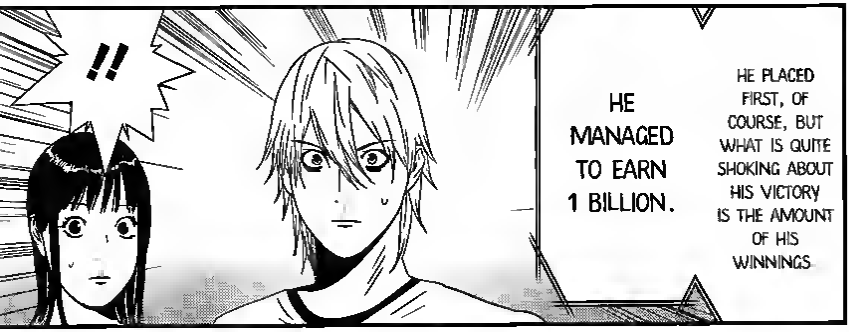
IT SEEMS THAT ALL THE CONSOLATION MATCHES HELD IN THE OTHER PLACES HAVE ENDED AS WELL.
OH, BY THE WAY,


LET'S SEE THE RESULT IS
OH, THAT WOULD BE STAGE B
WHAT'S THE RESULT IN THE PLACE WHERE YOKOYA PLAYED?!
AND WHAT'S THE RESULT?

...YOKOYA-SAN'S OVER-WHELMING VICTORY.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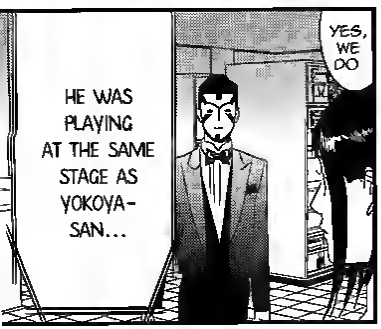
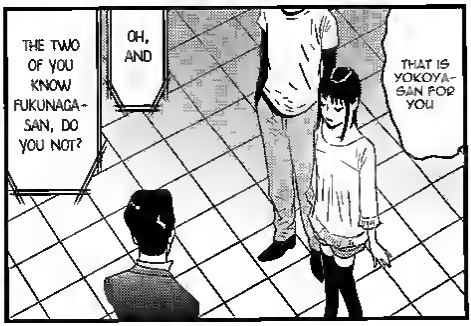
HE MANAGED TO EARN 1 BILLION.
HE PLACED FIRST, OF COURSE, BUT WHAT IS QUITE SHOKING ABOUT HIS VICTORY IS THE AMOUNT OF HIS WINNINGS


HE WAS PLAYING AT THE SAME STAGE AS YOKOYA-SAN...
YES, WE DO


THE TWO OF YOU KNOW FUKUNAGA-SAN, DO YOU NOT?
OH, AND
THAT IS YOKOYA-SAN FOR YOU!

HE WENT UNDER SADDLED WITH QUITE A DEBT, TOO.
HE HAS LOST AND HAS BEEN ELIMINATED FROM THE LIAR GAME.
THE GAME IS NOT OVER UNTIL EVERYBODY IS SAVED. THE DARKNESS OF THE NEXT GAME IS DRAWING NEAR...

第168話 END LIAR GAME
THE PUBLICATION WILL BE ON A BREAK FOR A WHILE

...THE LIAR GAME WAS NOT OVER.